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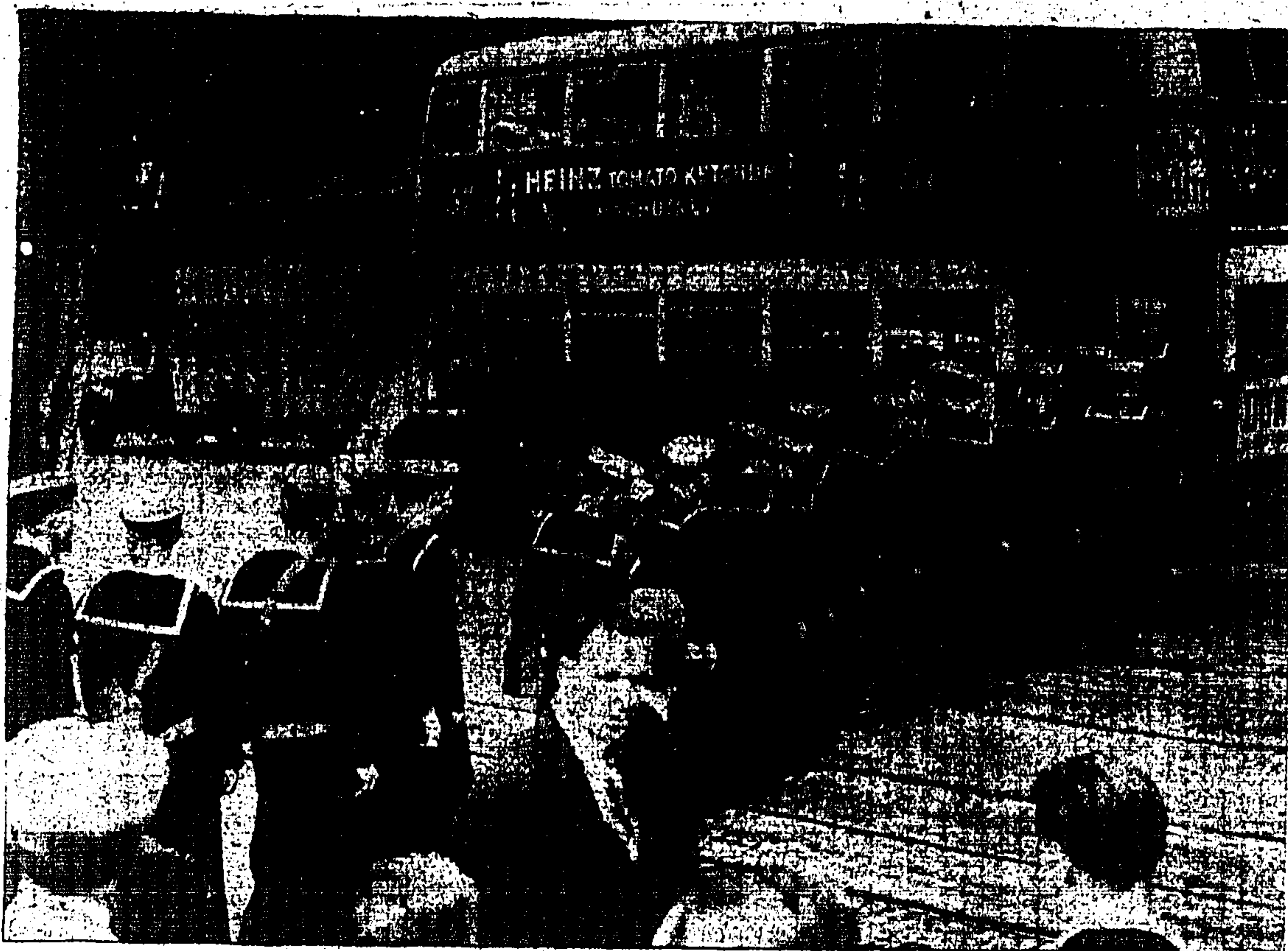
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Men of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve leaving H.M.S. Chrysanthemum on the Thames Embankment, London, having been called up bound for an "unknown destination." Photo shows the men boarding a bus on their departure. (Copyright, Fox).

BRITISH LINER TORPEDOED OFF SCOTLAND

THE FIRST ACT OF WAR BY GERMANY AGAINST BRITAIN TOOK PLACE IN THE NORTH SEA YESTERDAY WHEN, WITH A BRUTALITY REMINISCENT OF THE GREAT WAR U-BOAT HORRORS, A NAZI SUBMARINE TORPEDOED THE BRITISH LINER "ATHENIA," ON BOARD OF WHICH WERE 1,400 PASSENGERS, MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

News of the outrage, received in Hong Kong by Reuter this afternoon, reveals that the liner, a 13,465-ton vessel owned by the Anchor-Donaldson Line, was attacked 200 miles west of the Hebrides (off the north-west coast of Scotland).

JAPAN TO SEEK PACT WITH THE SOVIET?

Moscow, To-day.

It is persistently reported in foreign circles that negotiations are imminent for a Soviet-Japanese non-aggression pact.

The German and Japanese Ambassadors are reported to have had

Information of the disaster was released by the newly-created Ministry of Information in London.

It is believed (says Reuter) that the "Athenia" is either sinking or sunk.

This, however, is not yet been confirmed officially, and it is only known that the huge vessel, with civilian passengers on board, has been torpedoed.

The "Athenia" was built in 1923 by Fairfield's, of Glasgow.

three meetings since von Ribbentrop (the Nazi Foreign Minister) left.

Competent circles believe the German Ambassador is striving to persuade both sides to open negotiations despite the difficulties raised by the Mongolian border fighting. — Reuter.

ROOSEVELT BROADCAST MESSAGE

Washington, To-day.

In his broadcast speech last night, President Roosevelt declared that he would keep the United States out of the conflict as long as it was within his power.

It was, he added, impossible to forecast the future course of events. — Reuter.

BOMB HITS AMERICAN ENVOY'S RESIDENCE

Our Own Correspondent
(Telegraphic Communication
Ordinance, 12.51 p.m.)

Shanghai, To-day.

A German plane yesterday dropped a bomb into the American Ambassador's summer residence at Konstantin, near Warsaw according to a dramatic Havas message received in Shanghai, to-day.

None were injured.

A full report has been sent to President Roosevelt. — Our Own Correspondent.

HEAVY PRESSURE ON POLAND CONTINUES

London, To-day.

Reports from Poland suggest that the German forces have been increased on the Polish fronts in Upper Silesia and the Teschen area, while the attack across the Corridor from the German side is being intensified.

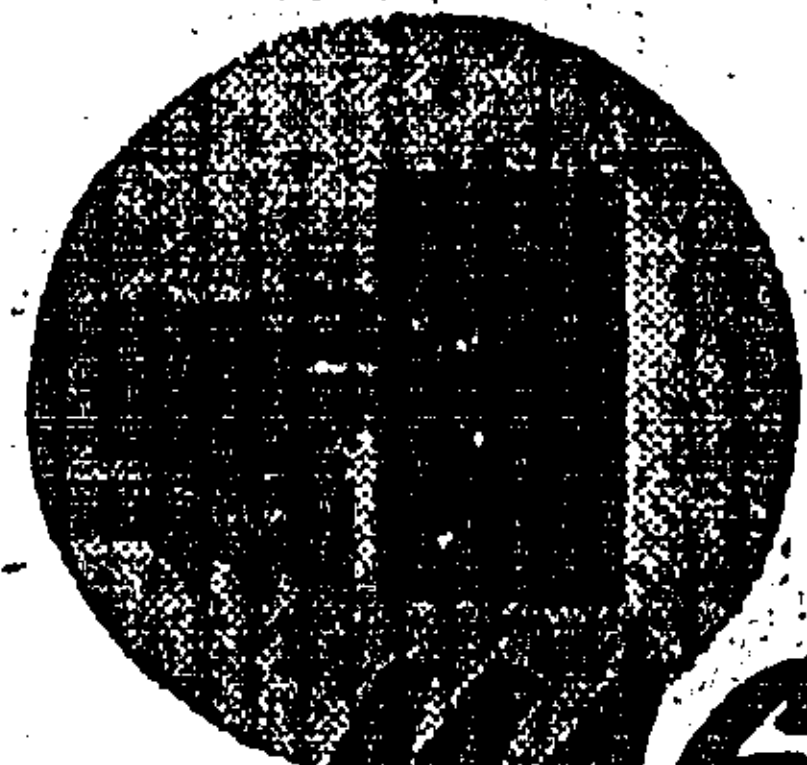
Warsaw was again heavily bombed yesterday. — Reuter.

PARLIAMENT MEETS TO-DAY

London, To-day.

Parliament is meeting this afternoon, the Commons at 2.45 p.m. and the House of Lords at 3 p.m. to consider further war measures. — Reuter.

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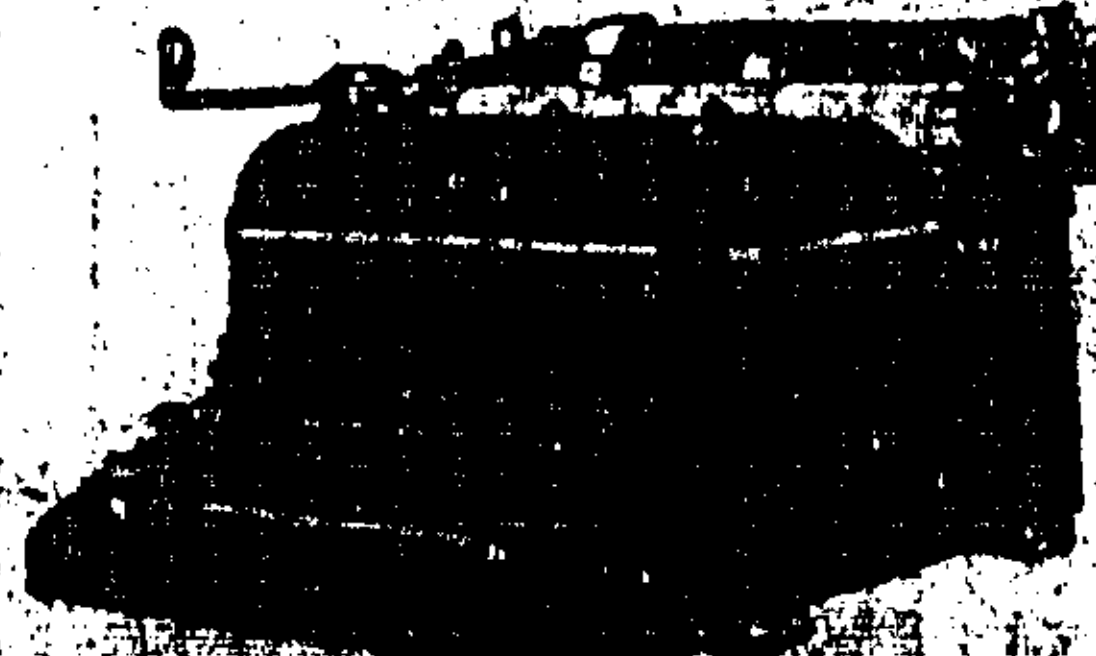
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Cosmetics For Summer Grooming

By PATRICIA LINDSAY

IT is with fear and trembling that a beauty editor tells you of cosmetics which has stood up under her personal tests—for cosmetics which are most satisfactory to one woman may be not at all satisfactory to another. But here goes, and it is up to you to try them or not, I just thought you might like to know about them as they are unique.

COSMETIC TOOTH PASTE

A perfectly reliable tooth paste has made its debut which tints your gums a pretty natural pink as you brush your teeth! Its harmless colouring lasts from three to four hours and when you smile your teeth seem whiter and your gums look rosy and healthy. Of course you must brush your gums with the brush, as well as your teeth, and this gives a much needed massage two or three times a day.

DRY SHAMPOO

There definitely are times during the summer when a girl wants to use a waterless shampoo and it is good news to say there is one which seems to leave your hair clean and glossy with the minimum of effort. When poured on your hair and massaged with the fingers it forms a miraculous

lather which you simply wipe off later with a fresh towel. Your hair quickly dries and you then give it a good brushing with a clean hairbrush. Girls with very dry hair, or hair which has had too many duggings in the lake or ocean will adore it.

PAINT ON YOUR SUN-TAN

As skin specialists and others are warning women not to take too much sun, the pleasure of changing our skins from one colour to another is automatically denied us. Many women like to tan deeply just for the fun of being a startling brunette! Knowing this a chemist has mixed a perfectly harmless complexion tint in a deep butternut shade—or rather a glowing butternut shade as it has some pink in it. After cleansing your skin well you apply the tint with a moistened piece of cotton and lo! you can make yourself look like Hiawatha's sister. The joy of this tint is that when you are bored with looking like an Indian you can quickly remove the colour and make yourself up in the softest of pastels like a Dresden china doll! If this deeper shade is too deep, you have three lighter tones from which to choose.

TREASURY CALLS FOR ALL GOLD AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE

London, To-day.

RESIDENTS OF LONDON have been ordered to sell to the Treasury any gold or the following foreign exchange at their disposal:

United States and Canadian dollars; belgas, Swiss and French Francs; guilders; Argentine pesos and Swedish and Norwegian crowns.

Holdings are permitted for reasonable requirements, which are specified.

The Treasury will determine the price payable for offerings.

New regulations have been issued controlling fresh issues of capital.

Issues for undertakings in the United Kingdom or British countries overseas are only allowed if shown to be advisable in the national interest.—Reuter.

NO MORATORIUM

The Treasury and Bank of England have taken steps to ensure that banks will have ample supplies of currency. There will be no need for a moratorium, which was not the case in the Great War.

The Stock Exchange will remain closed.—Reuter.

STRENGTH OF THE RIVALS

London, Yesterday.

The comparative strengths of the Axis and Democratic fronts during the manoeuvres "season" are now being tabulated by the experts behind the diplomatic scene.

Figures are:—

Germany and Italy: 3,000,000 men under arms, 7,000 tanks, 10,000 planes, 5,000 cannon. Japan excluded as being up to the neck in trouble and more angry at being double-crossed by Germany than at anything else.

Britain, France and Poland: 5,500,000 men, 9,000 tanks, 10,000 planes, 7,000 cannon.

British plane production both quantity and quality now ahead of Germany. Lead being increased daily.

British and French navies three and a half times as strong as Axis fleet.—Our Own Correspondent.

GUERRILLAS AT KONGMOON

Shiuhing, To-day.

Chinese guerrillas are reported to be approaching Kongmoon.

The Japanese strength at Kongmoon has been depleted by a transfer to Kowkong, while the Japanese in Kowkong were withdrawn to Fatshan.—Central News.

M AND B 693 UPSET

London, Yesterday.

The drug M and B 693 has been discussed at a conference of the South African Medical Association, which has decided to ask the Government to place it and similar preparations on the poison list.

According to a Reuter message from Johannesburg people have been buying and using it indiscriminately.—Our Own Correspondent.



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STREAMLINED FIGURES

Better-Looking Knees

By **DONALD LOOMIS**

Girls complain that no matter how slim their legs are, their knees are large and unsightly.

If this is true of you, don't despair. Here is just the exercise to correct this trouble:

As in the picture above, kneel on the floor, hands on hips. Keep leaning backward until the knees come up off the floor, and you rise to a standing position. Go down again and repeat. Do this exercise slowly at first and then increase the speed. It will not only stenderise the knees, but will take off the fat above the knee and inside it.

Of all the girls at this studio, Jeanette MacDonald has the loveliest legs, and this is because Jeanette never lets herself go.

Perhaps it is because Jeanette is a singer that she is always so ready to co-operate, for all singers know what it is to work hard. She has a naturally good figure, but singing has given her help, for the deep breathing and breath-control necessary to singing makes excellent posture imperative and stimulates circulation. No doubt you know that singers are considered good insurance.

Mr. Loomis is physical director of the stars at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios. He has charge of such stars as Joan Crawford, Jeanette MacDonald, Norma Shearer, Robert Taylor, Clark Gable and Robert Montgomery.

risks because it is a matter of course with them to keep themselves in good condition.

Jeannette knows she must put forth every effort to sing effectively for the screen, so no one need plead with her to come over and take a work-out.

Nelson Eddy is another fine person. Nelson, like most men singers, has a tendency to put on weight around the waistline; he understands this and comes in regularly to work it off.

Shaking exercises are excellent for slimming down knees and legs that seem a bit bumpy here or there.

Sitting on a chair, brace your knees firmly together, then relax the muscles of the legs and give them a good shaking. Following this with a brief rest, then slowly stretch the entire leg upward, downward and sideways.

The Russian folk dances are splendid for hardening the waistline and slimming the knees. It is not easy to learn these dances, but if you are good at dancing, try it to-night. Here it is:

Squat down on your heels, arms folded over the chest, spine absolutely straight, head erect. Throw the right leg out straight before you, heel on the floor. Hop up and throw out the left leg at the same time you draw in the right foot to the squatting position. Repeat the movement, changing the feet as rapidly as you can.

Vary this movement by throwing the legs out to one side and then the other, finally to the back. Do this to music, when you have practiced it awhile.

If you can't master the Russian dance at first, substitute this one:

Stand with feet turned slightly outward, one foot advanced a little in front of the other. Rise on the balls



of the feet, slowly bend the knees until you have gone down as far as you can; rise and lower the heels. Do this as slowly and regularly as possible, half a dozen times.

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What The Stars Foretell

BY MARY BLAKE

THIS will be an easy day to forget engagements or overlook the passing of time. Be careful you do not convey the impression that you are lacking in sentiment, or you may have a good reason for regret. Only if you are confident that your actions and sentiments are safe from criticism, can you afford to criticise people this day. There will be many unfavourable comments on those who make uncharitable observations, unless there is an exceptionally good reason for doing so. This is a day when restlessness may prevent the average person, from relaxing in his hours of leisure, which, in all likelihood, will be a big mistake. This is a good day for you to plan for yourself, but not for others. Married and engaged couples and those telling or listening to "the sweetest story ever told", must bear in mind this day that rudeness in our outside of the home is never justified, even if inspired by a desire to be funny.

If a woman and September 4 is your birthday, home life is apt to be the medium through which your greatest amount of happiness will be derived. Your advice ought to be sound and frequently sought by relatives and friends. You must have an unlimited amount of faith, for that will be your sustaining power, and through it alone your life will be a success. Be careful that a love for reading does not make you indiscriminate in the selection of your literature. You should not waste your time reading trash when there are so many good, while books available. You must

have a decided talent for painting, interior decorating, writing, singing, selling or music. You apparently possess every quality needed to make marriage a success, so all that you have to do, to assure your matrimonial future, is to put them to good use.

The child born on September 4, may be full of rhythm, a lover of music, or of outdoor sports. A fluent tongue and the ability to make friends, ought to enable this youngster to become remarkably successful.

DUCE SACKS PREFECTS

London, Yesterday.
On the instance of the "Ovra", the Italian Secret Police, the Duce has given his assent to the dismissal of a number of prefects in the Piedmont and Lombardi provinces on account of their "inaptitude to stem the spreading of anti-Axis atmosphere."

As a result the whole Administration of several counties will be completely overhauled.

The action of the Ovra was based on reports received from districts near the French and German frontiers describing that the prefects have not only failed to popularize the political line followed by the regime, but have actually taken part in demonstration directed against the Third Reich.—Only Ovra, October 20, 1934.



Pale and Always Tired

Many Girls Are Like This!

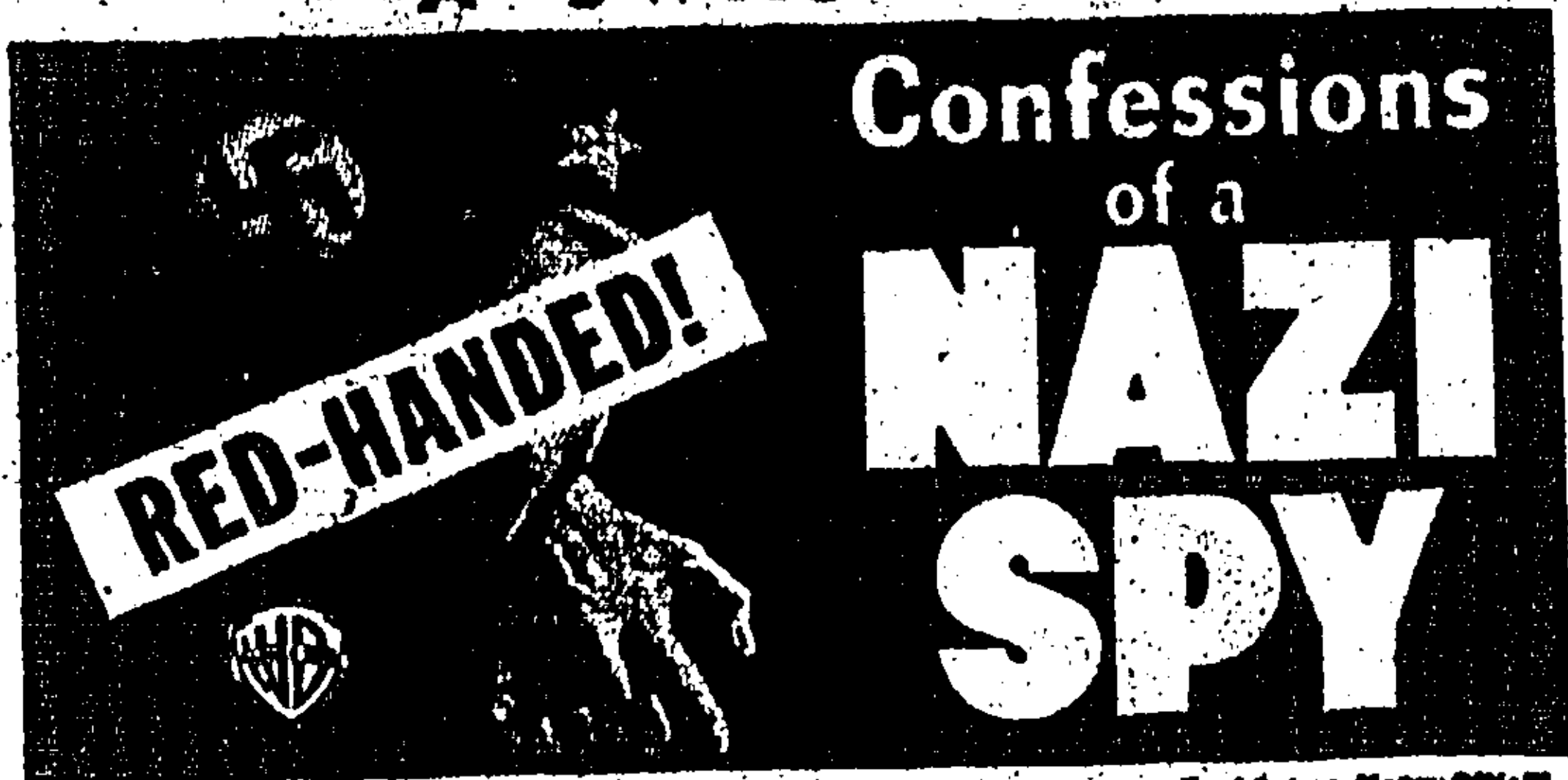
Do you find it difficult to concentrate on your work, does your memory let you down, do you feel unduly tired and suffer from headaches, have you lost your appetite and are losing weight, do you feel listless, with no energy for work or play, do you envy the 'joie de vivre' of other girls? If your answer is 'yes' to any of these questions you should at once take steps to remedy the condition, for these symptoms are but indications of an impoverished condition of the blood, which if not corrected must ultimately lead to serious health troubles.

The first thing to do, therefore, is to build up the blood in quality and quantity, and the way to do this both quickly and surely is by taking a course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which have been famous for fifty years as a blood and nerve tonic of the highest order.

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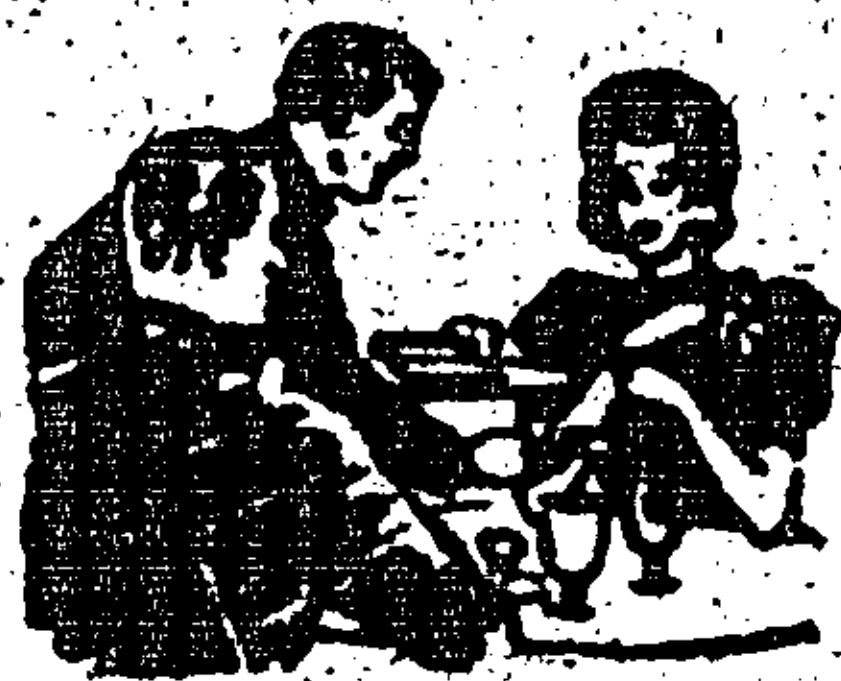
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CATHOLIC DEMAND

'SILENCE THIS MAGISTRATE'

A demand for action by the Home Secretary following statements on birth control made by Mr. Claude Mullins, London South-Western Police Court magistrate, is put forward in the Catholic newspaper "The Universe."

The statements were made in a case of a father and another sentenced to a month's imprisonment for neglecting their seven children.

"The Universe" says, under the heading "Mr. Claude Mullins. Must Cease:"

"In delivering judgment Mr. Mullins not only described sympathy towards the distress of such poor families as 'blasphemous.'"

"He suggested openly that 'the public assistance authorities or others ought to 'teach birth control' to those people.' And he asserted that 'society and religious opinion are mainly to blame for these horrors.'"

"We appeal most strongly to Catholic M.P.s to bring the whole case to the attention of Parliament and of the highest legal authority."

"This is not the first time that Mr. Mullins has preached birth control from the judicial bench. But he exceeds all tolerable limits when he asks a poor mother in court whether she had desired to have all these children."

"ENEMIES" OF SOCIETY

"On her replying that the Almighty had allotted them to her, Mr. Mullins told her abruptly to leave the Almighty out."

"It is surely a new departure in our legal system that a poor couple should be informed from the bench that the number of their children is an offence."

"It would be very queer if, at this particular point in our nation's history, the Government should, by silence, give the impression that God-fearing parents of large families are enemies of society."

LIBRARY GIFTS SAFEGUARDED

London.

Concern for the safety of manuscript in the custody of public libraries, aroused by the Penance Library and Literary Club's recent sale of a 700-year-old Latin manuscript tract presented to it some 70 years ago, has now been somewhat allayed.

The Penance Club was quite within its rights in selling the manuscript, but the press wrongly reported it to be a public library. In Britain many public libraries received manuscript material for safekeeping in their record preservation sections. If these libraries are free to sell to casual bidders, then all the work being carried on to preserve ancient records is fruitless.

At present, there seems to be no definite legal decision as to whether a public library can sell a manuscript which has been entrusted to it. To would-be depositors of such Mr. H. Idris Bell, Keeper of Manuscripts at the British Museum, and Chairman of the record's preservative section of the British Records Association, suggests they include a condition forbidding sale to a casual buyer. In case of a bequest, they should make it over to the institution in a trust to display it to the public.

WHERE DICTATORS ARE WEAK

Lord Samuel, speaking at the Liberal Summer School at Cambridge, said that dictators were always weak on the economic side. The dictator himself seldom knew the first letters of the alphabet of public finance, or the economics of production.

"Almost always dictatorships in the end are brought down by economic collapse and financial ruin," Lord Samuel went on.

"Let the dictator's judgment fail, let him sicken or die, and the whole machine is put out of gear. The self-confidence that was his making may prove his unmaking."

"And, most important of all, dictators must needs be cynics. They can see little store on morality."

"A democracy will not go into war unless it believes that it has right on its side. It will not do wrong with impunity. Nor can it do wrong with impunity. And in the long run it is the moral factor that is decisive."

A PREHISTORIC GROTTO

Another prehistoric grotto has just been discovered at the foot of Monte Circeo, near Littoria, on the fringe of the Pontine Marshes. The grotto lies close to the underground prehistoric retreat discovered last February, where fossil remains of early man were found.

The newly discovered grotto lies at a distance of only fifteen yards from the sea in a small plantation of olive trees. The roof is covered with stalactites.

As was the case with the grotto at the foot of Mount Circeo, where a Neanderthal skull was found, the entrance is small and difficult. Workmen are engaged in widening the opening. Fossil remains of prehistoric man and animals have been found.

Experts place the discovery in connection with the popular myth that the Mount Circeo as a place where Odysseus stayed.

HIS MAJESTY'S BROADCAST TO EMPIRE

London, To-day.

IN HIS BROADCAST to the Empire last night His Majesty the King said:—

"In this grave hour, perhaps the most fateful in our history, I send to every household of my peoples, both at home and overseas, this message, spoken with the same depth of feeling for each one of you as if I were able to cross your threshold and speak to you myself.

"For the second time in the lives of most of us, we are at war. Over and over again, we have tried to find a peaceful way out of the differences and those who are now our enemies.

"It has been in vain.

"We have been forced into a conflict, for we are called with our allies to meet the challenge of a principle which if it were to prevail would be fatal to any civilised order in the world.

"It is a principle which permits a state, in the selfish pursuit of power, to disregard its treaties and its solemn pledges, which sanctions the use of force or the threat of force against the sovereignty and independence of other states.

PRIMITIVE DOCTRINE

"Such a principle, stripped of all disguise is surely the mere primitive doctrine that might is right, and if this principle were established throughout the world, the freedom of our own country and of the whole British Commonwealth of Nations would be in danger.

"But far more than this, the peoples of the world would be kept in the bondage of fear, and all hopes of settled peace and of the security of justice and liberty among nations would be ended.

"This is the ultimate issue which confronts us. For the sake of all that we ourselves hold dear and of world order and peace which is endangered it is unthinkable that we should refuse to meet the challenge.

CALM AND UNITED

"It is for this high purpose that I now call on my people at home and my peoples across the seas, who will make our cause their own. I ask them to stand calm and firm and united in this time of trial.

"The task will be hard.

"There may be dark days ahead and war can no longer be confined to the battle-field; but we can only do the right as we see the right and reverently commit our cause to God.

"For one and all, we can be reverently faithful to it, ready for whatever service or sacrifice it may demand.

"Then, with God's help, we shall prevail! May he bless and keep us, one and all!"

The special broadcast concluded with the stirring strains of the National Anthem.

LINLITHGOW BROADCASTS

SIMLA, TO-DAY.

A PROCLAMATION HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE VICEROY, LORD LINLITHGOW, ANNOUNCING THE OUTBREAK OF WAR AND THE EXISTENCE OF A GRAVE EMERGENCY THREATENING THE SECURITY OF INDIA.

Lord Linlithgow, in a broadcast, uttered an impressive call to the country to take up Germany's challenge to the great principles of humanity, justice and morality, which in no country were valued more highly than in India.—Reuter.

DUKE OF KENT TAKES WAR APPOINTMENT

London, To-day.

The Admiralty announces that Rear-Admiral the Duke of Kent has taken up a war appointment.—Reuter.

HONG KONG AIR MAIL CONDITIONS

As from 5 p.m. to-day the all up Empire air mail service is suspended for the time being.

First class mail for destinations served by Imperial Airways whether included in the all up scheme or not will be subjected to a surcharge of \$1.00 per half ounce if sent by air, in addition to the present air mail rates.

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GENERAL FRANCO'S APPEAL

MADRID, TO-DAY.

GENERAL FRANCO IN A RADIO BROADCAST LAST NIGHT APPEALED TO "THE GOODWILL AND RESPONSIBILITY OF GOVERNMENTS AND NATIONS TO EMPLOY ALL EFFORTS TO LOCALISE THE PRESENT CONFLICT."

Extension of the war, declared the Spanish Generalissimo, would, without benefitting the belligerents, produce a profound and insuperable disturbance in the world's economy, causing incalculable losses of its wealth, with paralysis of its trade, and a grave repercussion on the standard of living of the humble classes of people.—Reuter.

BELGIUM'S NEUTRALITY

Brussels, To-day.

It is officially announced that Belgium has sent a declaration of her neutrality to all countries concerned.—Reuter.

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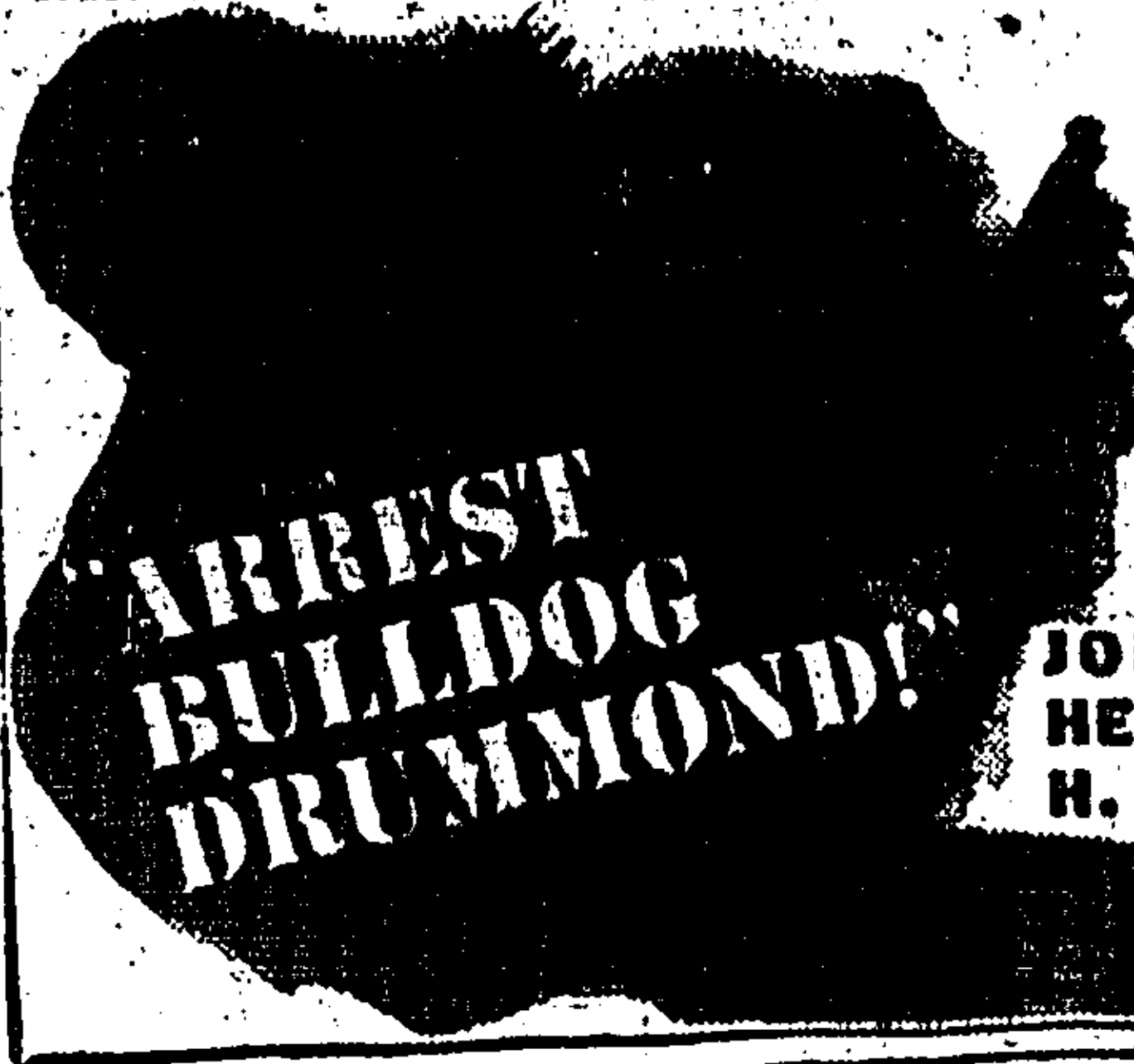
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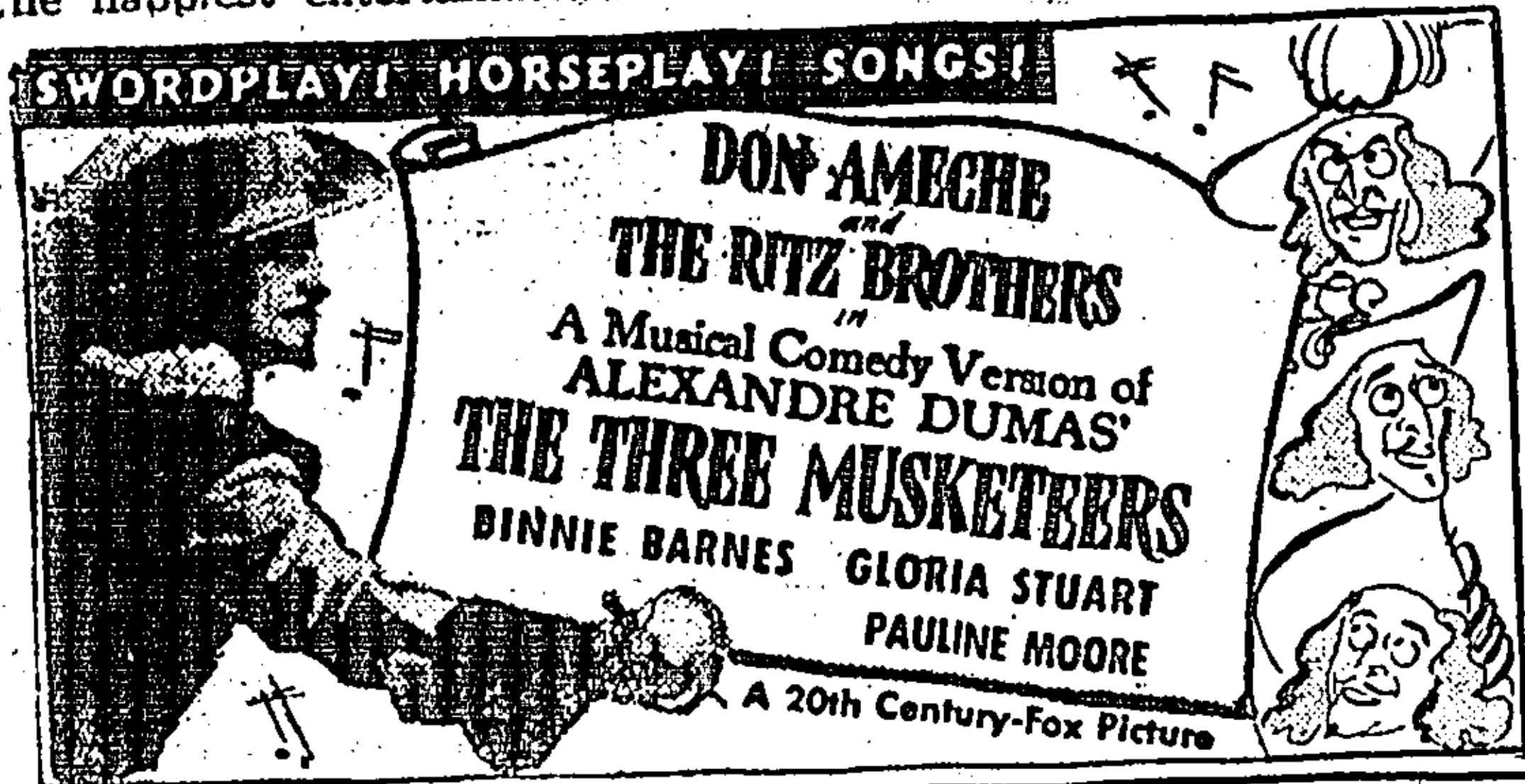
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BRITISH SCIENTISTS PERFORM GREATEST MODERN MIRACLE

London, Yesterday.

Somewhere on the shores of the Mediterranean a small band of British scientists and engineers are performing one of the greatest miracles of modern times.

Working in secret, they are extracting magnesium oxide from the sea. It has been done before in America. But for the first time a way of doing it economically has been found.

It is a miracle that will give to Britain and the Empire unlimited supplies of the metal most urgently needed in armament manufacture.

A year ago the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research called attention to the precariousness of supplies available to Britain.

SUPPLIES CUT OFF

Yet on these supplies depended the whole success of rearmament and the ability of the Empire to fight a war.

Britain has no natural deposits of magnesium. Most of the raw material is in Russia, Austria, the United States and Manchukuo.

War and annexation have cut off supplies from Manchukuo and Austria. In a few months imports of all forms of magnesium, usually about 4,000 tons a year, worth £540,000, dwindled to 2,700 tons.

USED FOR BOMBS

For not only is magnesium—40 per cent. lighter than aluminium—a valuable component in the construction of aeroplanes, machinery and ships, but it is an essential constituent of incendiary bombs and shells.

It was through Mr. W. C. Devereux, chairman of High Duty Alloys, Limited, that the discovery was made.

Ocean Salts Products, Ltd., of Westminster, S.W., the company he formed to carry out final experiments, expects shortly to be able to announce complete success.—Our Own Correspondent.

GERMAN PILOT FORCED DOWN IN LITHUANIA

Kaunas, To-day.

A damaged German pursuit plane alighted in Lithuanian territory yesterday near the Polish-Lithuanian frontier.

The pilot was interned and the machine handed to the military authorities.

The necessary laws have been published giving effect to Lithuania's policy of neutrality.—Reuter.

NAZIS CLAIM TO HAVE COMMAND OF THE AIR

Berlin, To-day.

A communique issued by the German Army High Command claims that the whole area over the battle area and the hinterland is completely controlled by the German air forces.

The communique asserts that attacks have been confined to military objectives and declares that after units of the German armoured cars reached the Vistula at noon on Saturday, the German forces repeatedly attacked points at the passage of the river.

It asserts that one bridge and another under construction were destroyed by numerous bombs, and an important railway station was also bombed.

It adds that while military objectives were being attacked and destroyed there was resistance by Polish anti-aircraft guns and pursuit planes.—Reuter.

64 NAZI BOMBERS SHOT DOWN

London, To-day.

An official Polish Embassy statement says that 64 Nazi bombers have been brought down in Poland.—Reuter.

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2. "To discourage the publication in periodicals or newspapers of matter which does not conform with the code of ethics laid down in the constitution."—Our Own Correspondent.

TO DEFEND FREEDOM OF PRESS

London, Yesterday.

The preliminary draft has been completed of the constitution of a new society of South African editors and newspapers, which has among its objects to "resist any form of State control of the newspaper Press" and to formulate a "code of ethics."

An announcement to this effect was made by the provisional executive committee appointed by the conference of South African editors now sitting at Johannesburg.

Mr. R. Stuttaford, Union Minister of the Interior and Public Health, in a speech recently suggested that the Press should have a controlling body similar, for example, to the Law Society.

FREEDOM TO BE DEFENDED

The announcement reads:

"In view of Mr. Stuttaford's speech on the question of Press legislation, it may be stated that the general meeting of editors of South Africa has completed the preliminary draft of the constitution of a new society of South African editors and newspapers, which is being established

BRITAIN'S WAR CABINET CHOSEN

CHURCHILL IN BUT EDEN AMONG OTHER MINISTERS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN RECONSTITUTED, AND THE WAR CABINET CONSISTS OF:

Prime Minister	Mr. Neville Chamberlain
Chancellor of the Exchequer:	Sir John Simon
Foreign Affairs:	Lord Halifax
Defence Co-ordination:	Lord Chatfield
First Lord of the Admiralty:	Mr. Winston Churchill
Secretary for War:	Mr. Leslie More-Bevens
Secretary for Air:	Sir Kingsley Wood
Lord Privy Seal:	Sir Samuel Hoare
Minister without Portfolio:	Lord Hankey

Sir Samuel Hoare displaces Sir John Anderson.

There are further Ministerial appointments outside the Cabinet, and therefore Sir John Anderson's name will probably appear on the further list of new Ministers to be issued.

Mr. Chamberlain invited Sir Archibald Sinclair, Leader of the Liberal Opposition, to accept Cabinet office, but after consultation with the Liberals, Sir Archibald informed the Prime Minister that he and his friends considered they could render better service to the nation and the Government by supporting all necessary war measures from an independent position.

The first meeting of the War Cabinet took place yesterday.—Reuter.

COMMONS TO STAY IN LONDON

London, To-day.

The Conservative Chief Whip stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the seat of Government would remain in London as long as possible.

He expected the House to meet at a subsequent date.—Reuter.

It is officially announced that Mr. Anthony Eden is to be Dominions Secretary, with other supplementary tasks of a special nature.

Lord Stanhope, from the Admiralty, becomes Lord President of the Council.—Reuter.

It is announced that until further advice, telegrams are accepted from the public at sender's risk. Urgent telegrams cannot be accepted from the British Empire.

AT THE INTERNMENT "CAMP"

It is learned that, at least for the time being, no action for internment of German women residents in the Colony is being taken.

The menfolk, totalling over 100, are housed on the top floor of La Salle College, and visiting days are expected to be authorised when the "camp" which is under the charge of Major Gordon, of the Middlesex Regiment, has been satisfactorily organised.

Sentries are on guard, provided by the Royal Scots, and the barbed-wired barricade, completely surrounding the College, is nearly completed.

At intervals, high watching-posts for sentries have been erected.

No official information is yet forthcoming regarding the arrangements to be made for visiting and so on.

It is learned that Czechs in the Colony who had registered with the German Consulate and changed their passports for German passports are being interned. Those who refused to recognise the German establishment of a Protectorate are not being subjected to internment.

VISCOUNT GORT TO BE C.I.N.C.

London, To-day.

General Viscount Gort has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the British armies.

General Sir Edmund Ironside, replaces General Gort as Chief of the Imperial General Staff.—Reuter.

ICE CRUISER TIRES 10 FT. IN DIAMETER

Chicago.

The largest pneumatic rubber tires in the world have been designed to carry an "ice cruiser" across Antarctic wastes, the Research Foundation of the Armour Institute of Technology has announced.

Harold Vagtborg, Director of the Foundation, said an order for six of the immense tires had been placed with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company of Akron, Ohio, and delivery was expected about the middle of August.

Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd will use the snow cruiser on the Government's land-claiming expedition to the South Pole late this year.

In designing the tires which will carry the tank-like vehicle across the snow crevices, Armour engineers decided upon a thickness of 12 ply, about twice that of the ordinary heavy, duty automobile tire.

The tires will be 10 feet in diameter, weighing between 1,200 and 1,500 pounds. A derrick on top of the snow cruiser and a hydraulic arrangement to lift the axle will be used in changing them.

Engineers said the chief problem in designing the tires was to insure a large enough contact surface between the tire and the ice and snow to obtain the proper co-efficient of friction. There will be 12 square feet of contact.

HITLER EXHORTS TROOPS IN WEST

London, To-day.

Herr Hitler has issued a message to the German forces on the Western Front, declaring that he knows he can look to them to uphold the honour of the German Army.

"I am determined," he said, "to break the ring the British have made round Germany."

He is reported to have left subsequently for the Polish front.—Reuter.

RECORD TRIP

The Jardine steamer "Wing Sang" came into Hong Kong this morning having made the trip from Shanghai in her record time of 60 hours.

It is understood that she has been "requisitioned" or chartered for official purposes.

FREIGHT RATES INCREASED HERE

An announcement issued to shippers in Hong Kong by the China Homeward Freight Conference states that as from to-day all rates are increased by 20 per cent; all contracts are cancelled forthwith, all forward bookings are cancelled, but cargo for shipment in September may be re-booked at old rates.

All central booking office arrangements are cancelled and all freight must be prepaid, ship lost or not lost.

ONLY ONE CONCLUSION

Washington, To-day.

A wonderful impression of calmness and sincerity has been created by Mr. Chamberlain's speech and the instructions broadcast by the B.B.C., declared a responsible American official yesterday.

The official added that once again the American people contrast the voice of Britain with that of Germany.

"From such a comparison our people can only draw one conclusion—and the people of Britain know what that conclusion is," he declared.—Reuter.

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MODERN AIR WARFARE

By W. H. RINGSKELL

PROBLEM OF CONSTRUCTION

Lessons of Thirty Months of Modern Warfare in Spain: War Planes have Attained their Maximum Speed

The new Curtiss pursuer attains 1064 km. per hour in a nose dive! Messerschmidt is beaten by Hurricane and Spitfire! The fastest world bomber! 170 meters in the second! Sensational information of new records, peak performances, etc. during the last few weeks. The press headlines mark an increased temperature: a concomitant of the armament fever. Each seeks to outpace the other. Who will beat whom?

The Spanish air war was a source of new experience. A high percentage of the German and Italian planes failed utterly. The quality of the German plane was far inferior to that of the Italian. It was realised that towns could be protected against air raids; that the air weapon could not

be decisive when confronted by another modern air weapon; and that a "lightning" campaign was an impossibility.

These new experiences strengthened the confidence of those who had from the outset had their doubts as to the omnipotence of the modern air fleet—experiences which supported the appeal of the democratic Governments to their peoples—"Arm and have confidence!"

But the secret anxiety underlying the armaments race gives rise to a series of further questions. What is the practical value of the production of 1000 planes per month, if a new and faster plane is invented every six months? And even if one accepts this enormous risk, how can one in the event of war ensure the undisturbed progress of such a production from destruction by an enemy air fleet?

BARCLAY'S LAGER

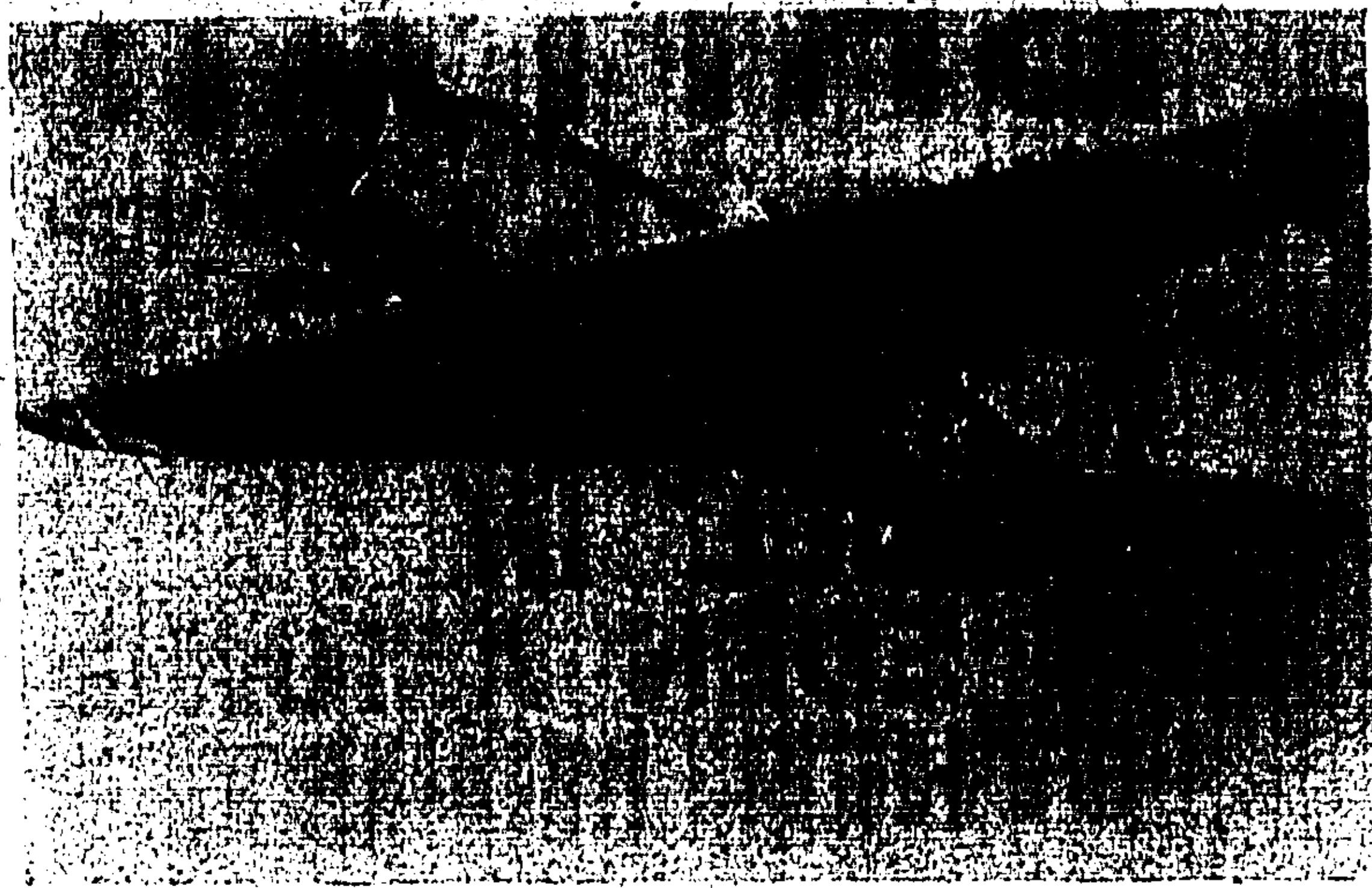
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AT THE FRONTIER

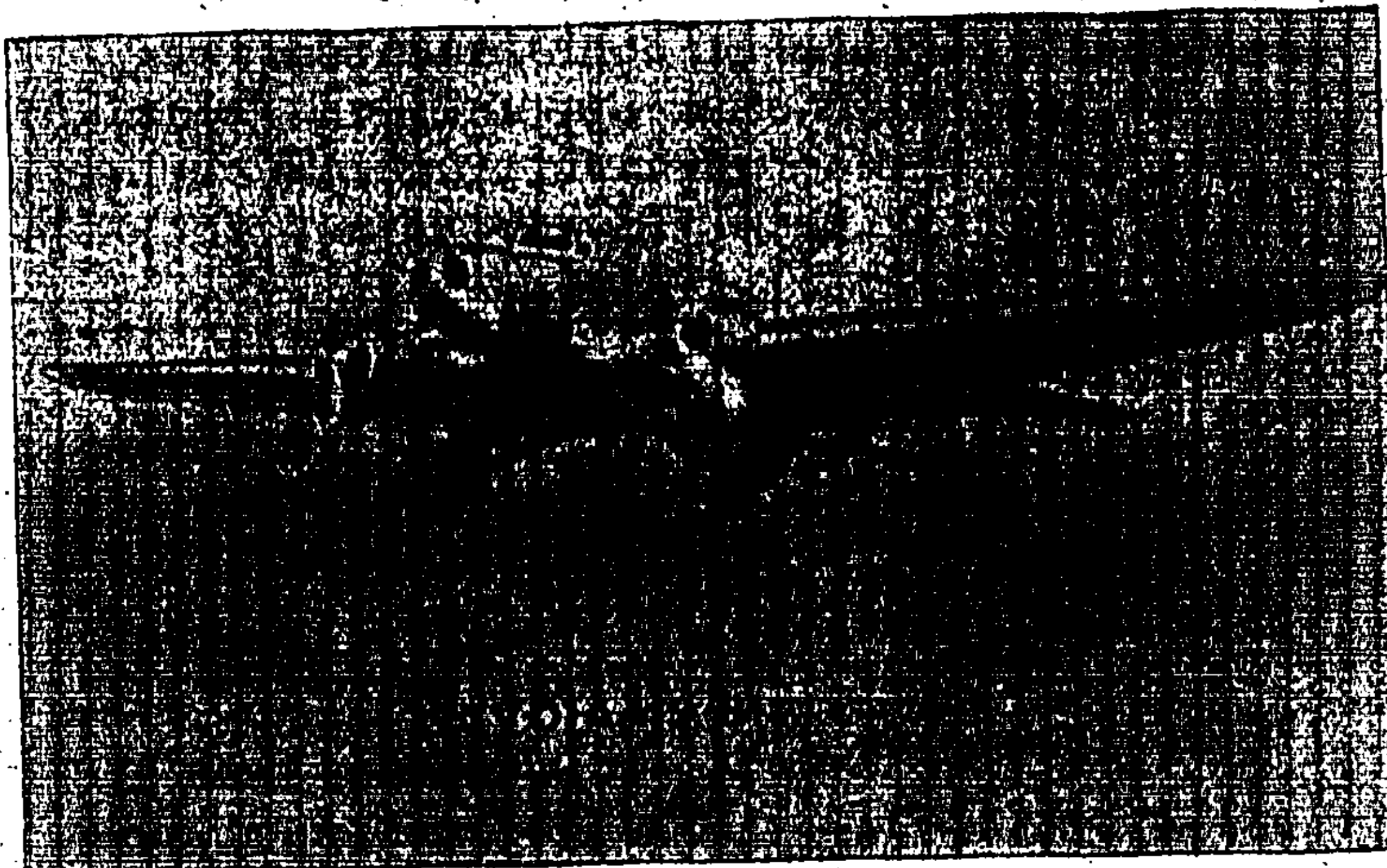
During the world war, the war planes increased their speed from 110 km. per hour to 180 km. This speed has since been trebled. The first years of the Spanish air war saw a veritable race of the various types; an increase of ten km. per hour seemed to be decisive for the value of a machine.

In 1915, the surety of aim of a bomber amounted to 73 per cent. A speed increase of 70 km. per hour in 1918 reduced this surety to 27 per cent. Since then the machines them-

Machines of which the international technical press stated that they could carry a bomb charge of 2000 kg. were never charged with more than 1500 kg. in Spain; others with a capacity of 1500 kg. never carried more than 800 kg.; the flexibility of the machines has to be assured at the cost of their carrying charge.

But speed, if exceeding a certain limit, also reduces the flexibility of the bomber: the greater the speed, the straighter the course. And the easier for the enemy batteries to calculate the course of the bomber; to aim and to bring it to fall.

The limit has been reached. Bombers with a maximum speed of 450 km. per hour cannot be beaten for the



S81: Three-engine Savoia bomber—the best heavy bomber of the German-Italian air force.

selves and the methods for the calculation of surety of aim have been considerably improved. But the same problem arose constantly during the Spanish civil war: the faster the bombers, the greater the disproportion of the bombs, i.e. reduction of surety of aim. The General Staff put an end to the record fever of the technicians—slower, please!

It became, in fact, clear in Spain that a speed limit had been reached, the exceeding of which did not facilitate the task of the bomber. Rather, it rendered this task more difficult or even raised the question of its performance altogether. There were tactical reasons which prevented the modern bomber from exploiting its engine power to the full, and from developing the maximum speed to the utmost. Squadron flight, attack of an objective, mass bombing, operations demanding observation and direction, preclude in themselves the exceeding of this speed limit.

A passenger car with a speed of 500 km. per hour cannot handle the dense traffic of a city better than a car with the sixth of its speed. Speed is not an absolute factor.

VON RICHTHOFFEN WAS RIGHT

A question: what about the pursuers? Have they not proved their value in Spain? Is speed not one of the most important factors for a pursuer? And there may be a tendency to say: "The Spanish war has shown how soon the most modern pursuers have to be scrapped."

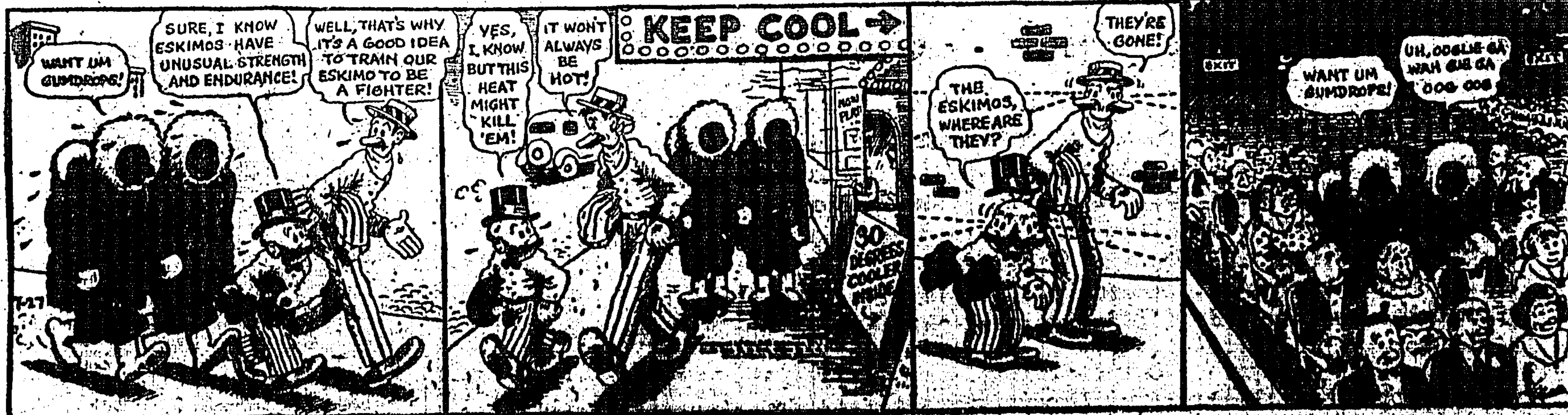
Let us take the practical lessons of the Spanish air war. They are based on arguments and a quotation:

When the super-pursuer were introduced for the first time on the Spanish front, this concerned machines with a maximum speed of 480 km. per hour. It was stated that these fast machines were so difficult to manoeuvre that, without the support of the small pursuers with a maximum speed of 390

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MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



BRITAIN'S DECLARATION THRILLS POLISH CROWDS: "LONG LIVE BRITAIN"

Warsaw, To-day.

The reading of the British declaration of war on the Polish radio was followed by the singing of "God Save the King" and cries of "Long Live Britain" and Long "Live Chamberlain."

The people of Warsaw were called to demonstrate before the British Embassy, and crowds gathered in street expressing satisfaction.

Comments like "Thank God" were heard on all sides, and a feeling of relief spread throughout the city.

The announcement that the French declaration of war was imminent caused crowds to rush to the French Embassy.

People leaving Church joined in the general cry of "France and Britain are with us."—Reuter.

FLYING ACCIDENT

London, Yesterday.

Mr. William C. Mitchell, president of the East African Aero Club, and Major C. A. Hooper, ex-president, both of Nairobi, report a remarkable escape while they were flying near Mozambique, Portuguese East Africa.

Their machine was returning from a visit to South Africa. At an altitude of nearly 4,000 feet above a forest the propeller broke off and the engine fell out. The plane landed on a tree top, from which both airmen clambered down uninjured. —Our Own Correspondent.

CLIMBERS MEET DISASTER

London, Yesterday.

Two survivors of the Polish Himalayan expedition which met with disaster on the slopes of Nanda Devi have returned to Almora State. They report that M. Adam Karpinski, the leader, who was killed when the avalanche overwhelmed the camp on July 18, had developed dysentery at 14,000ft but kept on climbing.

With Mr. Blake, a British member of the party, M. Karpinski climbed a new peak 18,700ft high, east of Nanda Devi. He named it Nanda-Lapak, meaning Step of Nanda. —Our Own Correspondent.

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RACING TIPS IN PRISON

London, Yesterday.

Prisoners at Pentonville Prison say the news service the Home Office allows them is not good enough.

They get their official weekly bulletin, but it's not the news they want. So some of them have written to the Home Office to ask for RACING NEWS.

The Home Office have frowned, and said "No." Until recently the men were given news items by the prison chaplain, the Rev. Tudor Jones, at a weekday service.

When men complained that this was "inadequate," the Jones news-service, being unofficial, was banned, and arrangements were made to supply them with a weekly bulletin printed under Home Office direction at Maldstone.

Mr. Jones stated: "On Wednesday nights I had made it a custom to give the men some political, social and sporting items from the week's news. My sole purpose in giving these was to press home a moral."

"Some of the men apparently wrote to the Home Office complaining that I did not give them the news they wanted, so I was asked to stop it altogether."

"Now they get the official bulletin, and I choose stories from the operas and that sort of thing to enclose a pointed message."

"But they are still dissatisfied. What they particularly want is racing news, and the Home Office won't give it them."—Our Own Correspondent.

ELECTORAL REFORM

London, Yesterday.

The French Chamber is preparing a scheme of electoral reform on the basis of proportional representation.

This may plan out well for the Government, who will rid themselves of a certain number of Opposition "members," who will not be included if reforms are passed.

Not unlikely is it that the Labour Party will raise the question of electoral reform in British Parliament if things get a little easier.—Our Own Correspondent.

EAGLES V. BOMBER

While climbing in the Cairngorms, Aberdeenshire, a party of English tourists saw two golden eagles put up a fight with a bomber plane passing overhead.

The eagles kept pace with the plane and made repeated swoops towards it. Their attack having failed, the birds landed—and fought each other.

KWANGSI ARMY IN TRAINING



A LIGHT TANK SQUAD LEAVING THE TRAINING GROUND.



A camouflaged Howitzer.



Motor machine-gunners being inspected.

GIRL LIKES DANGER

Having enrolled as the first woman dispatch-rider in the Auxiliary Territorial Service, 30-years-old Miss Theresa Wallach, of Denham, is rehearsing for rough riding.

It isn't a new experience for her. In 1936 she crossed the Sahara in both directions on a motor-cycle. Last year she advertised for a job under the heading: "Timbuctoo or anywhere."

"I did not get the kind of job I wanted," she said. "But I hope to have all the riding thrills I could desire as a dispatch-rider in the A.T.S."

EARL SECRETLY WEDS COUNTESS

Twenty-three-years-old Earl of Devon and the Countess of Cottenham were secretly married at the Newbury (Berkshire) Register Office.

Later they returned to the Earl's country home, Powderham Castle, Exeter. Lord Devon told a reporter: "We did not announce the wedding because we wanted it to be a quiet family affair. We're not having any honeymoon. We're just staying here at Powderham."

The Earl of Cottenham was created a peer last January. Lord Devon, his cousin, was named as co-respondent.

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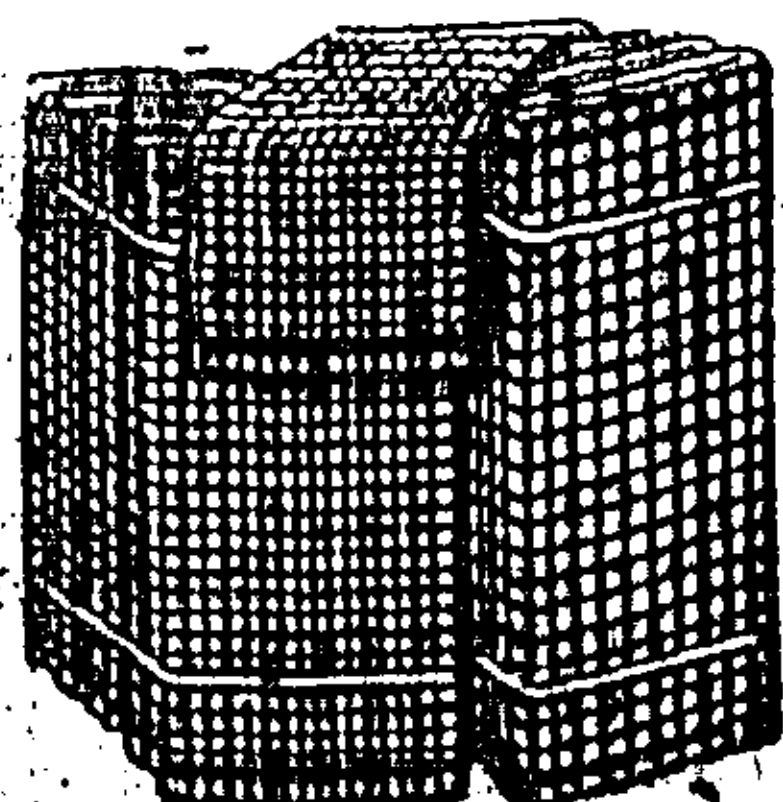
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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

MINOR PROBLEM

It is clear to all that Danzig is only a minor problem in the minds of the Nazis. It is merely a test of Polish powers of resistance.

If Poland were ready to yield on all questions concerning Danzig, the Corridor as Polish property would not be worth sixpence. The fourth division of Poland would follow rapidly.

Few observers in the know doubt that this is the real purpose of the Nazi rulers.

There are two main reasons why this new division of Poland is part of the Nazi policy. They are called coal and oil. "News Digest."

BRITISH STATEMEN'S SPEECHES

British newspapers complain that so little attention is paid to the speeches of their honourable Lords and Secretaries of State over here. There are good reasons for this.

Anyone who has to deal with these speeches in the course of his profession notes that all of them not only follow old, worn-out lines in their language, but, in addition, make use of diplomatic arguments which we do not understand, because we do not understand British diplomacy anyway.

When the Fuhrer speaks to England, the German people speak with him. When we listen to Englishmen, we hear the Foreign Office and certain political clubs, of which we have the worst of recollections. "Angriff," Berlin.

NAZI THRONE IN HUNGARY

One of Hungary's most cherished ambitions has for many years been the restoration of the Crown of St. Stephen.

As long as there was any chance of that throne being offered to Archduke Otto, Germany's opposition was adamant.

It is rumoured, however, that Herr Hitler is willing, in the case of Hungary, to depart from his established anti-monarchist policy, and would countenance the elevation of a pro-

Nazi monarch—either a Habsburg or a member of some Hungarian noble family—to the Hungarian throne. Furthermore, Germany would allow Hungary to annex Slovakia. In return for these bounties, however, Hungary would have to agree to subordinate her entire policy to that of Berlin. "M.P.A."

UKRAINIANS DENOUNCE ANTI-POLISH AGITATORS

The tendentious reports of the German Press describing that a state of revolt is prevailing among the Ukrainians is contradicted by the fact that several Ukrainian agents in the pay of Germany were handed over to the Polish authorities by the Ukrainians themselves.

Although a fairly large number of arrests have been made lately, especially in the district around Lwow, the loyalty of the non-Polish population is not affected. "Tempe," Bucharest.

BETWEEN ROME AND WARSAW

Sporadic quarrels notwithstanding, relations between Italy and Poland continue to be fairly cordial.

The Polish Ambassador in Rome is always well-received by Count Ciano and the Italian Envoy in Warsaw is usually invited to fixtures where his German colleague is definitely unwelcome. It appears that Italy and Poland seek each other's friendship in order to preserve common interests. Mussolini is grinning every time the Poles show firmness towards Berlin or score a fresh diplomatic victory. "Proia," Athens.

AFTER TWO YEARS' WARFARE

Japan's aims remain shrouded in obscurity. Originally she would probably have been content to establish over the five northern provinces such a control through puppet governments as she had obtained in Manchukuo, but military ambitions have passed far beyond that point, and the world is left to judge of what Japan desires by her actions rather than the words of her statesmen. To her acts must be ascribed the growing tension regarding the situation in the Far East. "Daily Telegraph."

THE WHOLE PEACE FRONT

It is for the peace Powers to formulate in good time the basis of a possible discussion. After the "next war" a peace conference will have to be held. Everything is to be said for holding it before the "next war"—but upon the condition that it is a genuine conference of peace. Until that is proved possible, the best and only practical service to peace is to man its defences in full strength. "Times"

AMERICAN RESENTMENT

In face of this particular warning, and the intimation a few days later by Mr. Hull that the American Government might publish the text of its communications to Tokyo in protest against recent offences, the Japanese Government may now

released the vials of active American resentment. Against the Japanese campaign of violence in China the burden of supporting the interests of third Powers, and especially of Powers signatory to the Nine Power

BRITISH UNITY

There never has been in time of peace such complete unanimity in this old British Island. Men and women of every walk in life, all classes, creeds, and parties, have prepared themselves mentally and morally for the tremendous changes in the daily life of every household which would accompany a war with Nazidom. Mr. Winston Churchill.

Treaty, has been borne mainly by Britain, and Britain, in no easy position, is now diplomatically at grips with Japan on the general issue. But the burden is not rightly Britain's alone, and the most salutary effect of this American move should be its intimation to Japan that America's hat is in the ring too. "Sydney Morning Herald."

FRIENDS WHO HATE EACH OTHER

The fact that Italians and Germans do not like each other is not new. New, however, is the increasing boldness with which the citizens of Lombardy and Piedmont in particular give vent lately to their feelings.

Many Italian cinema-owners are now afraid to exhibit newsreels in which German political and military events are recorded. The appearance of German soldiers and statesmen is received with icy indifference or with open hostility.

Applauds on the other hand, are often to be heard when Chamberlain or Daladier appear on the screen. "Het Volk," Amsterdam.

CONSCRIPTION BILL PASSES ALL STAGES AND BECOMES LAW

HOW FRANCE CAME IN

Paris, To-day.

M. Coulondre, the French Ambassador in Berlin, had an interview with Herr von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, in Berlin at noon yesterday and presented him with an ultimatum similar to that presented by Sir Neville Henderson, the British Ambassador earlier.

M. Coulondre informed the German Government that if no reply, or a negative reply, was given by 5 p.m., "France would consider that she must abide by her obligations to Poland."

In London, Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learned that French diplomatic circles stated that the French Government would consider itself in a state of war with Germany automatically on the expiry of the ultimatum handed by the French Ambassador to the German Government, and which fixed a time limit ending at 5 p.m. (G.M.T.).

There would be no formal declaration and consequently in the French official view, France was already at war with Germany.—Reuter.

PARIS COMMUNIQUE

Paris, To-day.

A communique announced that the French Ambassador told Herr von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, that as from 5 p.m. (B.S.T.), the French Government would find itself obliged to fulfil the obligations undertaken to Poland.—Reuter.

ZERO HOUR PASSES WITHOUT OUTWARD MANIFESTATION

Paris, To-day.

Zero hour passed quietly without outward manifestation that France was at war.

The weekly rest day has been abolished and a seven-day week established.

All concerns are working for national defence.—Reuter.

M.P.S. AND ACTIVE SERVICE

London, Yesterday.

Not for the first time the position of M.P.s holding commissions in the Territorial Army and Reserve of Officers in relation to their being called up for active service is under discussion.

Considerable uncertainty exists about the matter, because, according to a War Office ruling on the position of reservists a "state of emergency" has been in existence for some time.

According to some theorists, if that be so, then M.P.s holding commissions are precluded from participation in politics.

One expedient for overcoming this anomaly would be the "seconding" of the officers concerned but that, apparently, does not meet the dubiety about the position of M.P. officers serving with the Territorials.—Our Own Correspondent.

THE NATIONAL SERVICE (Armed Forces) Bill—

The Conscription Bill—passed through all its remaining stages yesterday and was sent to the House of Lords.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, explained that the 18-year-old class now proposed would be the one last to be called up.

At this moment the Army was taking out of active service overseas all existing soldier under 19, although they had enlisted as regular soldiers.

There was no intention to send them to France under that age.

"We now have the men we require, except for a certain class of tradesmen, and all the men we can handle.

ASCENDING SCALE

"Our intention is to ascend the scale from 21 very considerably before we contemplate placing an obligation on those of 18.

"Let us hope we shall get through this war without calling on them at all.

"We wish to show the country and the world that we are including within our resources the whole man-power of the nation fit for active service."

Mr. Hore-Belisha was replying to a Labour amendment increasing the age limit from 18 to 20 and he pointed out that in Poland boys of 17 were liable for service. The amendment was withdrawn.

The Bill was subsequently passed by the House of Lords and received the Royal Assent together with the emergency bills.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA AT WAR SAYS MR. MENZIES

Melbourne, To-day.

"Australia is at war," stated Mr. Menzies, the Australian Premier, in a broadcast address last night.

He added that where Britain stood, the people of the Empire and the British world stood also.—Reuter.

CANADIAN CABINET IN SESSION

London, To-day.

A state of war was proclaimed in Australia shortly after Mr. Chamberlain made his speech from Downing Street.

The Canadian Cabinet is now in session.—Reuter.

TANGANYIKA FORCES

London, Yesterday.

The recent redistribution of troops in Tanganyika is reported to be due to information that has come into the possession of the Government concerning increased Nazi activities throughout the Territory.

It is believed in Kenya that the Germans in Tanganyika are in possession of considerable dumps of ammunition and arms, scattered widely throughout the country.

Close contact is maintained between the Tanganyika Nazis and those in Mombasa, where the bulk of Kenya German residents live.—Our Own Correspondent.

London, To-day.

THE NATIONAL SERVICE (Armed Forces) Bill—

The Conscription Bill—passed through all its remaining stages yesterday and was sent to the House of Lords.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, explained that the 18-year-old class now proposed would be the one last to be called up.

At this moment the Army was taking out of active service overseas all existing soldier under 19, although they had enlisted as regular soldiers.

PROTECTING LONDON'S WATER

London, Yesterday.

One of the biggest A.R.P. schemes ever undertaken in Britain is now nearing completion.

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MOSCOW CALLING UP RESERVES

Moscow, To-day.

The civilian Red Army Reserve began registration at specified stations yesterday.

It is not known what numbers or classes have been ordered to report, but it is believed that similar orders have been issued to other large centres.—Reuter.

QUIET CONFIDENCE UNIVERSAL

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister's faith in the calm courage of the British public was amply justified by their behaviour yesterday.

Quiet confidence is universal. No great crowds were in streets and most people followed the example of the King and Queen in waiting quietly for the Prime Minister's message in their own homes.

After hearing the message, the King and Queen attended a short service of prayer in Buckingham Palace.

Meanwhile, the evacuation measures proceeded in orderly fashion and are nearing completion.

Evacuation continued unimpeded during the "air raid" warning at 11.30, which was also received with exemplary calmness by the public, who had been advised in the procedure to be followed.—British Wireless.

NETHERLANDS NEUTRALITY

The Hague, To-day.

The Netherlands Government has issued a statement to the effect that the neutrality of the Netherlands, as well as her independence, will be maintained under all circumstances.—Reuter.

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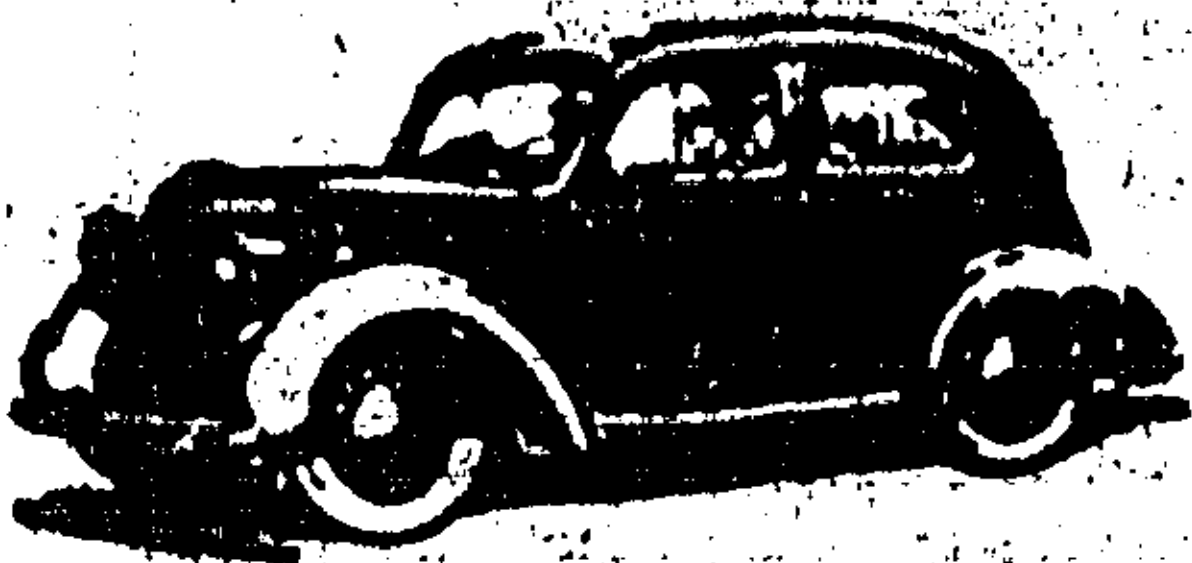
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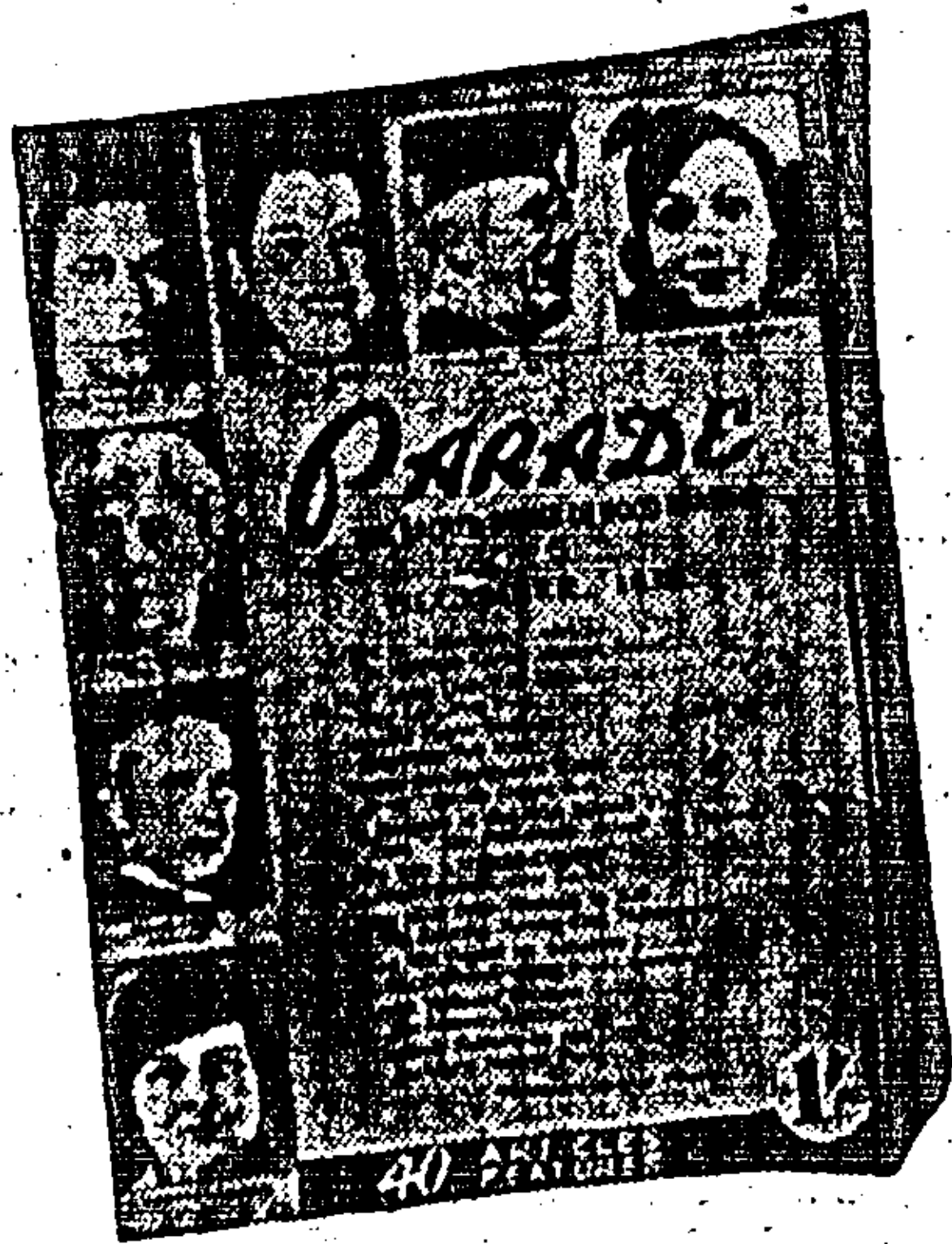
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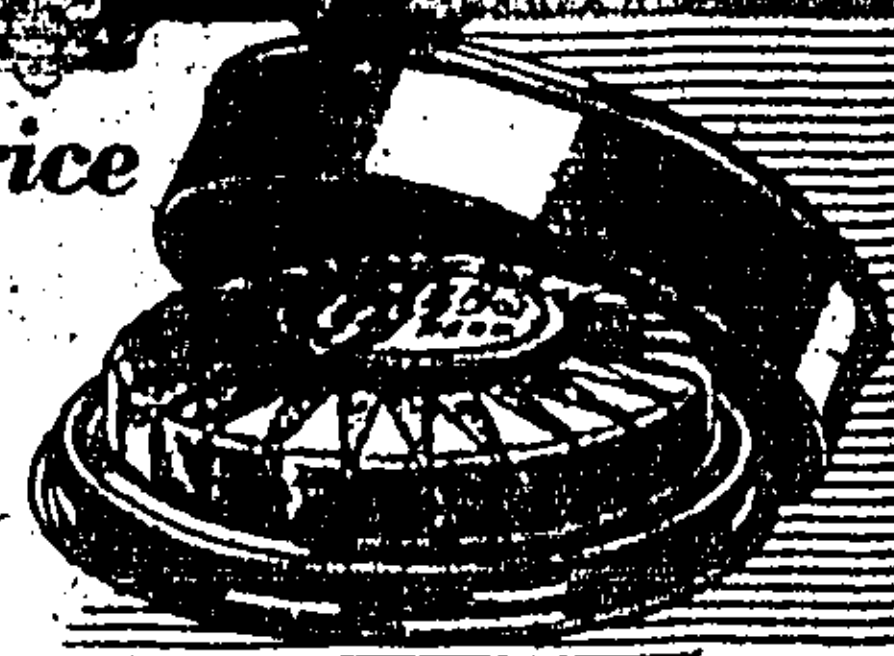
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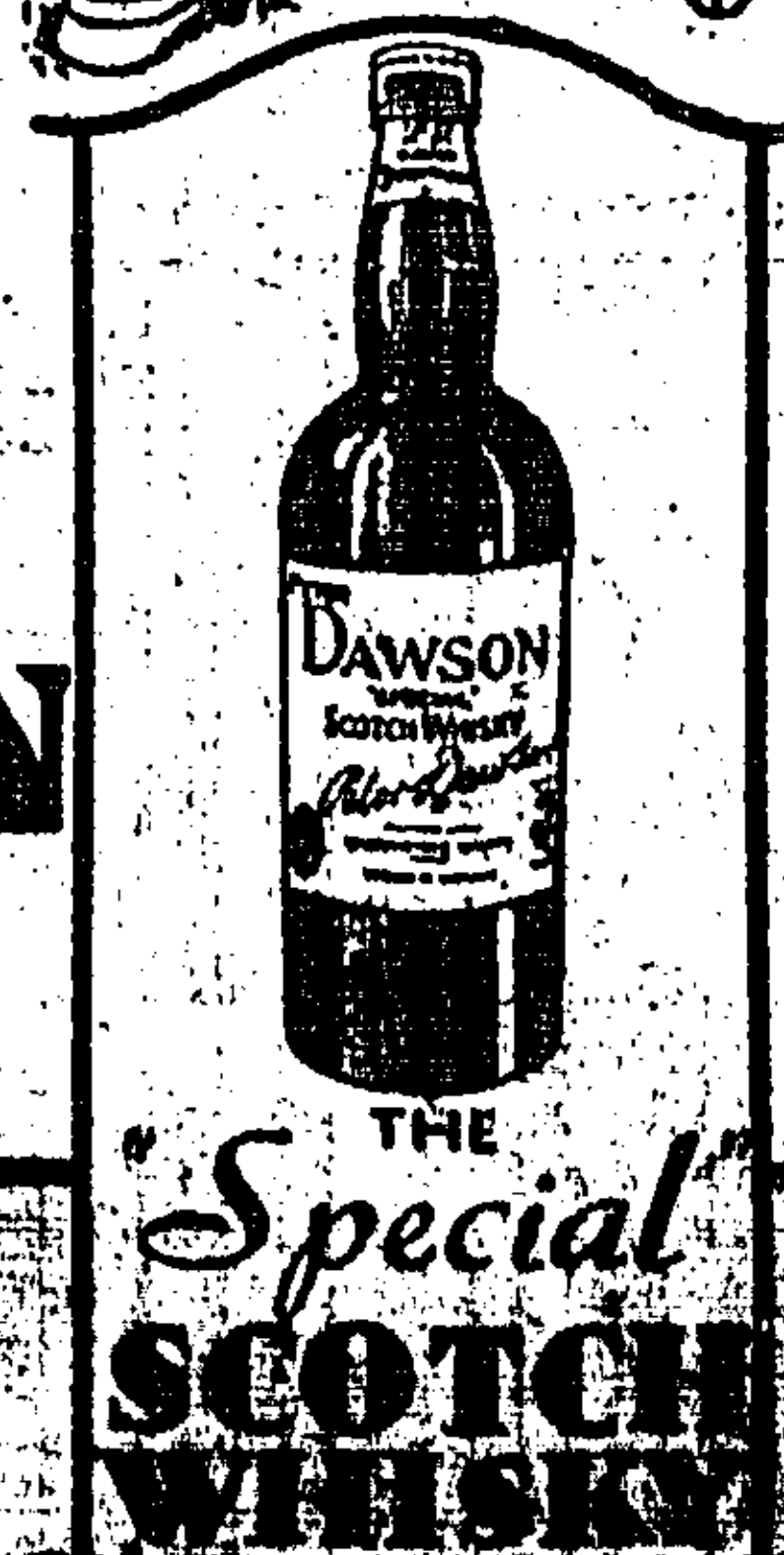
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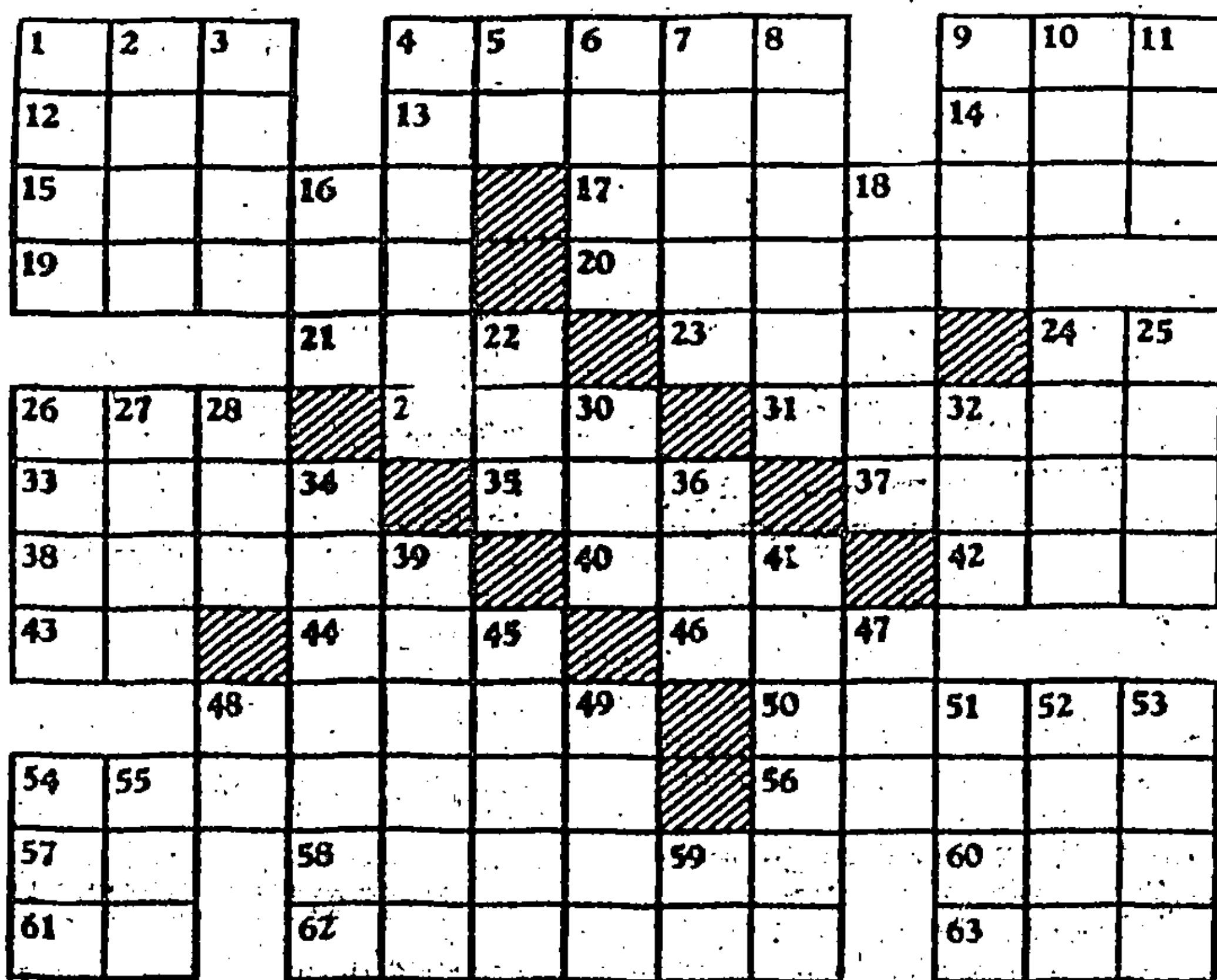
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- 19 Make glossy
- 20 Fur bearing animals
- 21 Drink slowly
- 23 Station (abbr.)
- 24 Comparative ending
- 26 Anglo-Saxon money
- 29 Hard shelled fruit
- 31 Russian storehouse
- 33 Healing compound
- 35 Gun (sl.)
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- 38 Man's name
- 40 Genus of cattle
- 42 To rent
- 43 Old prison

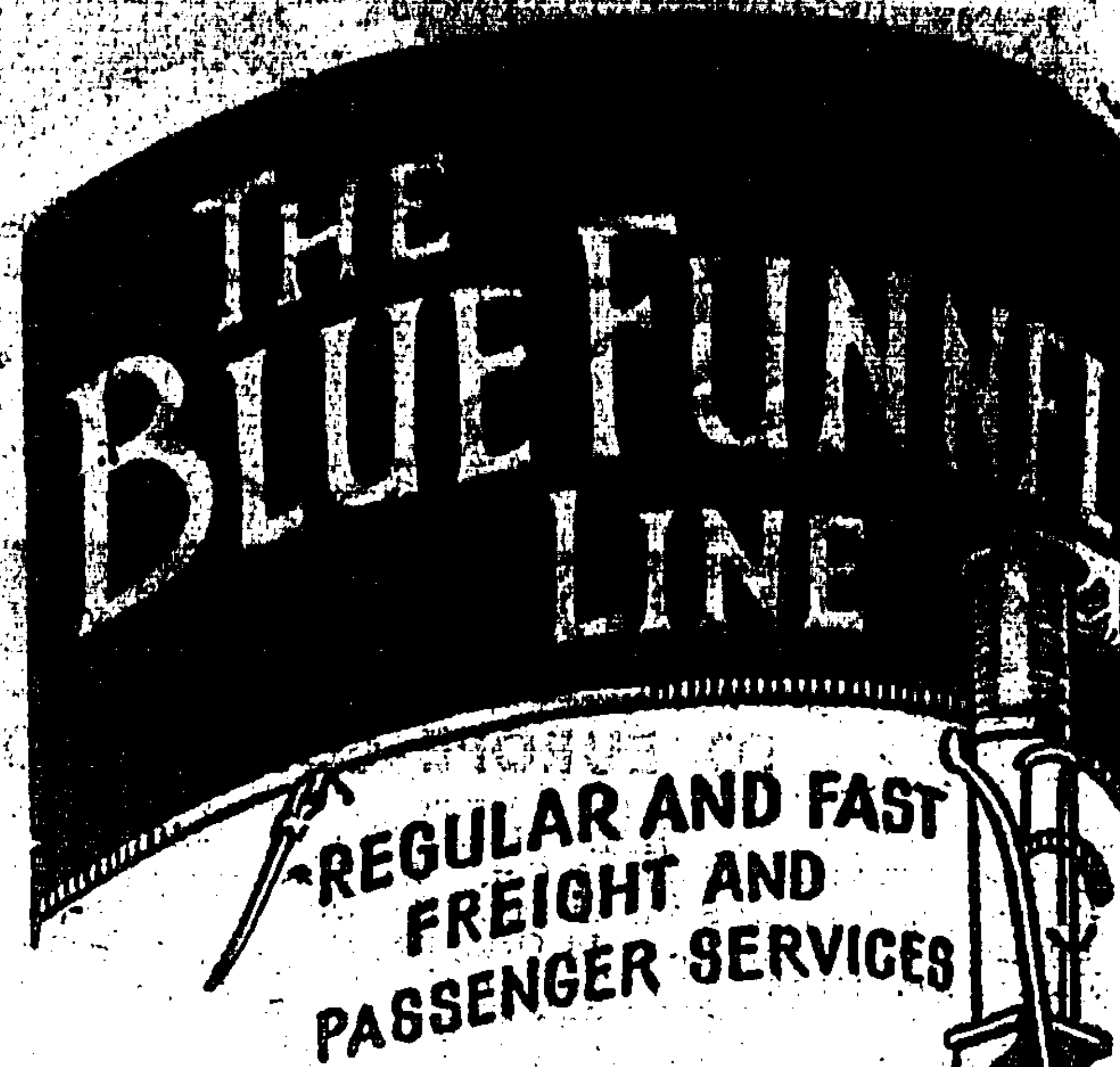
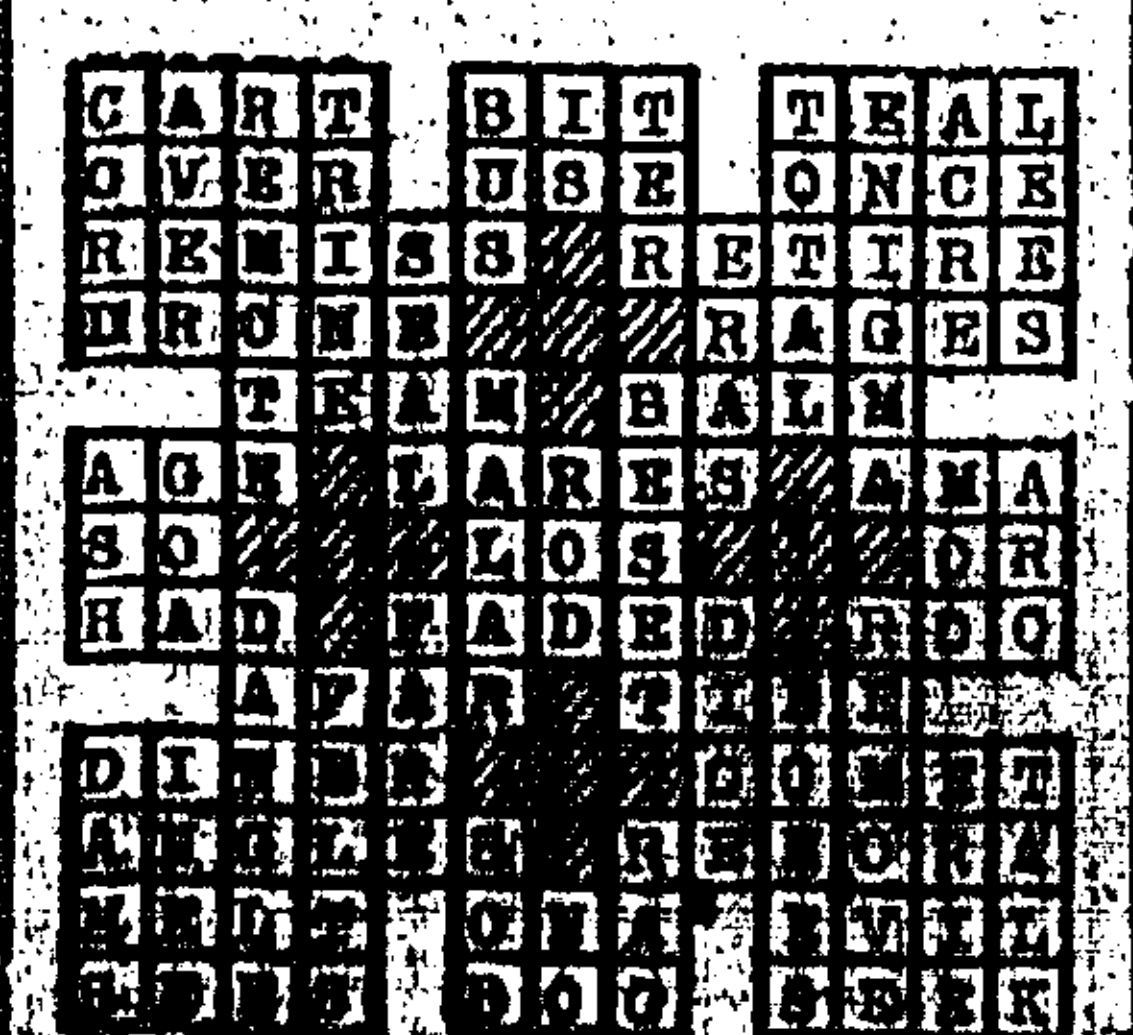
- 44 Negative
- 46 Couple
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- 50 Lengthwise of
- 54 Powerful
- 56 Hindu princess
- 57 Pronoun
- 58 To hinder
- 60 Rotating piece
- 61 Hebrew letter

- 62 Cubic meters
- 63 Comparative ending (pl.)

VERTICAL

- 1 Disturbs
- 2 Mountain range
- 3 Fence opening
- 4 The sky
- 5 Pronoun
- 6 Cleopatra's attendant
- 7 Explosive charges
- 8 Dignified
- 9 Studies
- 10 Dexterity
- 11 Small
- 16 Roman bronze
- 18 Wing shaped
- 22 Breed of dogs
- 24 Fencing sword
- 25 Remainder
- 26 Observe
- 27 Death rattle
- 28 Fourth caliph
- 30 Metal tag
- 32 Boring tool
- 34 Customs
- 36 Small child
- 39 Form of poetry
- 41 Turf (pl.)
- 45 One of the senses
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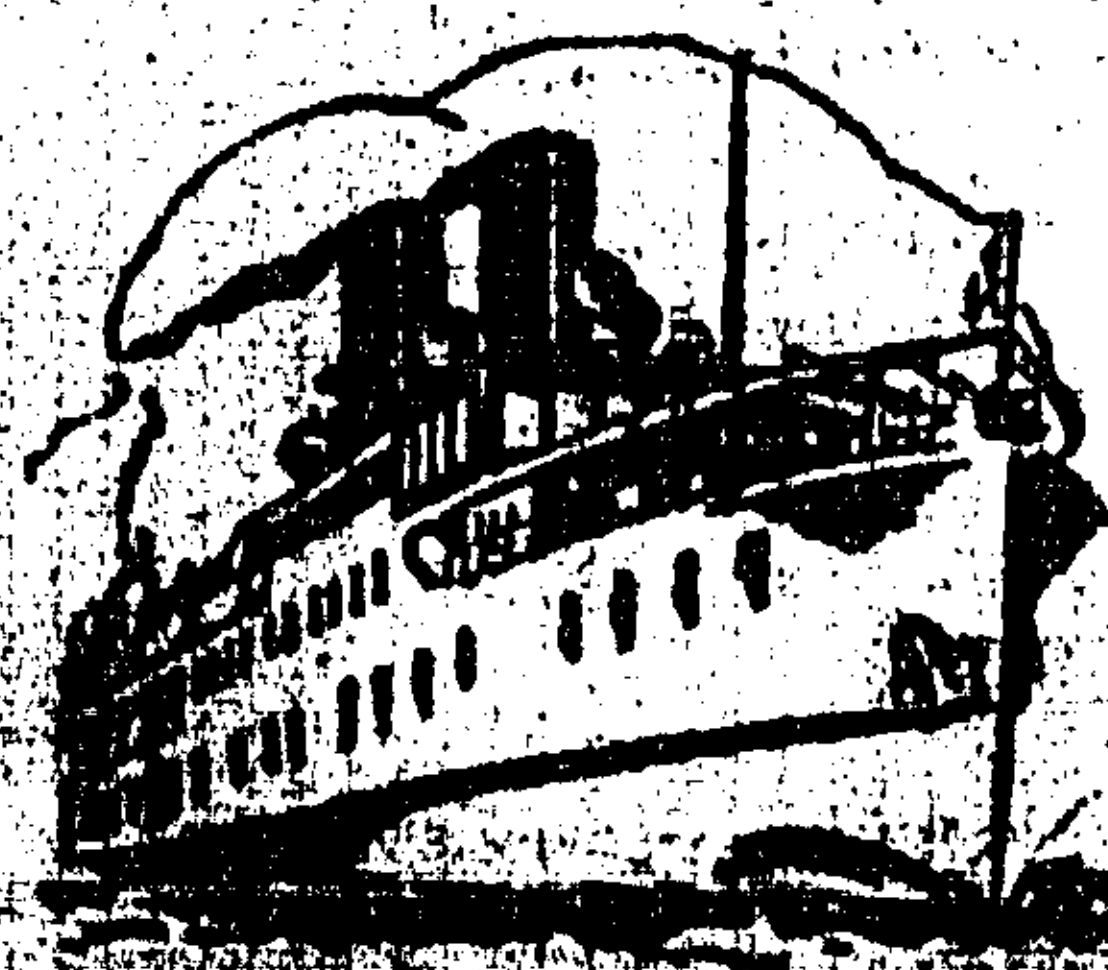
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FINAL TEST — LAST DAY

HUTTON AND HAMMOND TAKE CHARGE OF GAME



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Position At Start Of Final Day:—
ENGLAND (1st. Inns.)—352
WEST INDIES (1st. Inns.)—395
(for 6)

Oval, Tuesday.

I am tempted to say that I told you so. But I refrain, partly because it is no credit to a cricketer who understands cricket, partly because owing to rain we may to-day see strange reversals.

In point of fact, there is no present evidence in the first few overs that the rain has disturbed the conditions of play which prevailed yesterday.

Nichols has plugged down his conscientious swifts, Leary has clipped him right and left. The total of 400 is recorded, Perks is trying in-swing-

ers with the old ball and hoping for the new. Both batsmen are going for runs.

It is Nichols, however, who gets the new ball halfway through his second over, and he finds it an aid in keeping Leary quiet for a few minutes.

Leary, an indiarubber man, with double joints, is entitled to let fly ad lib. This he does with success, clouting Perks time and again to the boards. Senley is a short swinger and cutter. He should have stuck to his style; instead he tries to slog and pays the penalty of a miss-hit. But he has scored a useful 24. This makes 435 for 7.

Incorrigible, this fellow Constantine; he is hooking the good length ball or else skying it over third man's head; he is running short runs; he is rearranging the field; he is taking liberties. But all the time he is manifesting a rare talent.

Martindale tries to copy him, but cannot manage a similar unorthodoxy. The tall fast bowler sees his middle stump uprooted by Perks.

Undismayed Leary snicks, lifts, plunges and swipes with jazz-like inconsequence. He has put his side 100 runs ahead of us.

He, Leary, has actually off his back foot driven a sixer over the boundary in the direction of Westminster. A huge hit.

Clarke cannot get the pace, and he, too, is cleaned bowled by Perks.

The last man, Johnson, is tall enough for anything but he does not look at all safe. He cannot bat as well as he bowls his left-hand swingers.

Leary has called Johnson to advisory consultation. He then audaciously uppercuts Perks over slip's head; all on purpose. This becomes amusing.

Johnson tries to leave a ball alone and makes a lovely fine-length cut; not at all on purpose. But we cannot get him out. He is shaping proud as a peacock, and taller than a cock ostrich.

At last, on the edge of 500, up Leary skies a miss-hit which the wicket-keeper chases and catches—and catches cleverly. Thus Leary has thrashed up 79 runs and given us all first-class sport.

And the West Indians lead us by 146 runs.

Martindale, from Vauxhall, and Johnson, from the Pavillon, are the bowlers to Keeton and Hutton. Grant has two slips and two gullies for his fast bowler—properly placed.

The wicket is fast and true. Our batsmen have every chance of countering the large score our bowlers have permitted to their opponents.

NATURAL CUTTERS

Johnson is bowling his oblique swinging lefthand stuff to a nest of near fieldsmen on the leg side; one man fine, one just behind, one just in front of the wicket. Awkward stuff to deal with. No free strokes available. Makes the batsman wish he had no legs in the way.

Keeton and Hutton are not perturbed. Both of them are cutting Martindale with precision. Both are good natural cutters.

After about half an hour and 18 runs it is time for either Clarke or Constantine to be tried. And here is Leary instead of Martindale. This is the crucial change. If Leary is on the spot with the ball, as he was with the bat, we shall have to look out. But on this wicket Leary must rely on his deceptions of pace rather than on his break.

Here at the other end is Clarke, with his legbreaks—a relief to the batsmen. Runs will come quicker; but Johnson's speed must be conserved.

Leary Constantine has done the trick. After several excellent overs, reminding one of the old-time bowlers who relied on other artifices than swerves and a short good length, he beat Keeton with his slower, but not his slowest ball.

Oldfield walks in with alacrity and takes a prompt boundary off his first ball. An undeniable off-drive. An alert and resolute lad, this.

A REAL BOWLER

The first afternoon bowlers are Constantine and Johnson. The former looks to me more like a bowler than anyone I have seen since O'Reilly. Johnson has given up leg theory, and is bowling to two slips and an offside field.

The advent of Oldfield has introduced a certain liveliness; he is an attacking batsman who gets at the bowler before the bowler gets at him, and makes his strokes outright without mental reservation.

Hutton is proceeding with elegant restraint, and an occasional offdrive or cut.

Having promised us better things, Oldfield loses his wicket before he settles into full command. He is caught at the wicket for 19, with 77 on the board, in reaching forward to Johnson's good-length ball outside the off stump.

Meanwhile Hutton is beginning to open out into his nice strokes, and Hammond is starting with his habitual firmness.

Hutton reaches his 50 a run before 100 arrive.

The prosperous appearance of our batting brings on Martindale instead of Johnson, but I do not think on this wicket the fast right-hander will do much good. The ball comes along at such an easy height from the pitch.

Constantine is still bowling well, but he will soon need a spell off; he has been on for 40 minutes and he does not spare himself. Now we have Clarke from Vauxhall, instead of him.

OVER THE EDGE

Grant soon decides against Martindale's prospects and takes the ball himself. This means on this wicket that the West Indian captain has abandoned any expectation of quick wickets.

With Hutton well set with 63 to his name and Hammond now playing free cricket untoward developments are quite improbable.

Within another quarter of an hour the game has definitely gone over the edge into the possession of the batsmen. Clarke once has beaten Hammond's bat; otherwise he has had the bowling well in hand. As for Hutton, nothing, it seems, is likely to divert him from a watchful and leisurely progress to a tall score.

Our batsmen have taken comfortable charge of the bowling. The wicket gives the ball no aid. The faster bowlers have about done their day's work. We are settling down into the atmosphere of an inevitable draw.

George Headley makes one of his rare entries as a bowler. He is medium right-hand, of the net practice variety, but not so bad at that.

He at once produces Walter Hammond's on drive, but he cannot excite Hutton into adventure, with a century in the offing.

Eventually, the tea total is 221. Hutton has 97 and Hammond 76.

Hutton dug out the necessary three runs in Johnson's first over after tea and then relapsed into several successive boundaries—all beautiful strokes.

Hammond, now at 86, will soon follow him into harbour. I have seen our captain more eloquent with his bat, but I have seen again to-day most of what makes his cricket admirable.

Now that we have recovered from the shock of the first two innings, we are beginning to talk about the absurdity of not playing these Tests to a finish. Not long ago we were canvassing the monstrosity of no time limit. Such the ebb and flow of public sentiment.

Hammond near his century; cannot get the bowling, and tries a gambling stroke which nearly cost him his wicket—a hard chance to cover point. The partnership has now yielded 200 runs.

No declaration; our pair are taking some more batting practice.

At last, Hammond, trying to show Leary that two can play at haymaking, has hit all round one of Clarke's slows—and has gone home.

There is half an hour within which Compton may show his true form. Hutton, of course, has topped 150, and is still undismayed.

CLOSE OF PLAY

ENGLAND 388-3; Match drawn.
Hutton, not out 165
W. R. Hammond, b Clarke 138
Compton (D.), not out 10

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LEN HARVEY

Meanwhile Farr has accepted a fight with Jack London in Swansea, on September 5. London has sought recognition of his ability for two or three years now, but has been unable to climb into the big fight circle.

Against Farr he has everything to gain and nothing much to lose, and Farr will find that he has taken on a tougher proposition than he probably imagines.

FARR MUST BOX

I doubt if Farr can produce a punch to rock this strong and steadfast Yorkshireman, and he will be wise to box his man.

London is never more dangerous, however, than when he appears to be cornered. His bald head, deep, staring eyes, and rolling gait lend an air of distress which he is, in fact, far from feeling, and Farr will have to guard against the storming, swinging counter-attacks by which, because of the surprise element they contain, London has won many of his fights by a knock-out.

Mr. Sydney Hulls has announced definitely the date of the Boon-Crawley lightweight championship fight. It will take place on September 25 at the Empress Hall, Earl's Court.

As this is a Monday, the tournament will have an N.S.C. atmosphere,

though the club's official Monday evenings do not start until October. We are likely to be reminded further of N.S.C. activities by the fact that the clever young Salford heavyweight, Tom Reddington, will fight on the same programme.

REDDINGTON'S REVENGE

Should his opponent be Tommy Martin, as I gather, is Mr. Hulls's wish, the process of this interesting elimination will be carried a stage further.

Martin and Reddington are two of the fastest heavyweights of to-day. They were concerned in one of the best fights of last season, but Reddington has improved sufficient to suggest his revenge is the likely outcome.

If the unofficial eliminating competition were carried to its logical conclusion, the winner of Reddington and Martin should be matched with the winner of Farr and London, with Eddie Phillips drawing a bye, but that would keep Harvey waiting too long.

It is more probable that Farr, if he beats London, will step up to a title fight forthwith, but the day cannot be far distant when Reddington or Martin will force their claims to consideration.

While they are waiting, doubtless Doyle would oblige either or both. Doyle is the most successful loser the ring has ever known.

P.T.U. MEETING

FOOTBALL STRIKE ACTION NOT RAISED

London, August 23. — Strike action as a means of securing consideration of their requests was not considered by footballers and trainers at the annual meeting of the Association Football Players' and Trainers' Union in Manchester yesterday.

Members agreed to adopt the procedure suggested by the English Football League of putting their major claims before the individual clubs.

The delegates considered the League's inability to agree to suggestions put forward by the Union for improved wages and benefits for players.

UNION'S REQUESTS

The requests were:—

An increase of £1 per week, making a maximum of £9 per week.

The establishment of a minimum wage of £4 per week with the alternative of a free transfer.

Winter wages to commence on August 1, or when the players report for training if prior to that date.

A representative of the Union to be assigned to the committee dealing with the Jubilee Benevolent Fund.

The accrued share of benefits to be increased to 100 per cent. for the first year instead of 75 cent., and then based on a sliding scale, according to service.

An increase in talent money for top teams in the English League and successful sides in the Cup-ties.

Improved compensation for injured players.

The League stated that the majority of the requests were matters for consideration by individual clubs and not the concern of the League Management Committee.

Subsequently details of a contributory insurance scheme to be put before the League on the lines suggested by them were considered.—Our Own Correspondent.

ENJOYABLE TENNIS YESTERDAY

The return tennis afternoon between Club de Recreio and Kowloon Cricket Club took place at King's Park yesterday and was thoroughly enjoyed by all concerned.

K.C.C. won the men's doubles by 5 sets to 4 and the women's doubles by 7-2.

Following were the scores:—

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Mrs. L. Silva and Miss M. Xavier (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Sweeney and Mrs. Knight 1-6
lost to Mrs. Clarke and Miss Bradbury 4-6
lost to Miss Harker and Miss Stokes 3-6
Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Ribeiro (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Sweeney and Mrs. Knight 7-9
lost to Mrs. Clarke and Miss Bradbury 7-9
beat Miss Harker and Miss Stokes 6-4
Miss A. Remedios and Miss Roza (Recreio) lost to Mrs. Sweeney and Mrs. Knight 3-6
lost to Mrs. Clarke and Miss Bradbury 1-6
beat Miss Harker and Miss Stokes 6-0

MEN'S DOUBLES

A. V. Remedios and H. Gonsalves (Recreio) lost to E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett 4-6
beat S. A. Gray and A. V. White 6-1
beat D. J. N. Anderson and N. A. E. Mackay 6-2
A. V. Gossano and J. J. Remedios (Recreio) lost to Fincher and Burnett 3-6
beat Gray and White 9-7
beat Anderson and Mackay 6-1
M. Oliveira and C. C. Pereira (Recreio) lost to Fincher and Burnett 3-6
lost to White and Gray 3-6
lost to Anderson and Mackay 4-6

PASCH TO BE X-RAYED

Mr. H. E. Morris's stallion Pasch, winner of the 2000 Guineas last year, is to undergo an X-ray examination. The horse, although feeding well, has had trouble in swallowing his food, and it is thought that some foreign body has lodged in his throat. It is not considered that the complaint is serious.—Our Own Correspondent.

IRON PLAY

By BEST BALL

Many golfers who have fair to middlin' success with their wooden shots find their irons a bit more difficult to handle. In many instances the trouble is due largely to an improper stance. Naturally for the medium iron shots one should not place the feet as wide apart as for a tee shot. In the drive, power is important while in the shorter irons, power must be regulated and accuracy stressed. This precision is better managed when the feet are close enough together to allow a smooth turn of the body and an unbalancing, decisive swing at the ball.

If there is no body turn the swing is confined to the arms, accomplished at times by a body lean at the ball. Such procedure not only destroys accuracy but lacks any of the crisp hitting so necessary in decisive iron play. Standing near the ball, the player can swing in an upright manner and thus keep the clubhead on the correct path as it contacts it. Standing too far away the stroke

GRAPHIC GOLF



is flattened and the clubhead will not hit into the ball efficiently or travel along the right path so long. Another error is to crouch, a stance that tenses the muscles and tempts the golfer into scooping the ball.

WEDNESDAY—PRACTICE SWINGING

LYNCH OUT OF LUCK

London, August 24. — Benny Lynch, of Glasgow, former world's fly-weight champion, is not to return to the ring meantime. At a meeting of the Scottish Council of the British Board of Control in Glasgow last night, a certificate was read from two eminent doctors who had examined Lynch earlier in the day in the following terms:—

"This is to certify that we have examined this afternoon Mr. Benny Lynch, and that in our opinion he is not at present fit to carry on his career as a professional boxer."

The Council decided that the application lie on the table, and that Lynch be invited to renew his application in three months time.

It was brought out that the doctors had indicated to Lynch that with careful training he might be fit in about three months time.—Our Own Correspondent.

HONG KONG Football Club deservedly won the Second Division Lawn Bowls League Championship on Saturday when they beat K. F. C. on two rinks for a win by 18 shots. Talkoo, who beat C.S.C.C., were only one point behind in the race for promotion.

Here is the H.K.F.C. record in order of games played:

lost to K. Tong	53-56
beat C.S.C.C.	56-53
beat K.B.G.C.	65-50
lost to Talkoo	42-66
beat Police	70-63
beat K. Tong	63-55
beat C.S.C.C.	56-53
beat C.C.C.	60-58
beat K.F.C.	74-40
beat K.B.G.C.	60-56
beat Police	83-31
lost to C.C.C.	58-61

SPORTS PARADE

beat K.F.C. 71-53

Totals 865-779
Only three skips did duty during the season; N. J. Bebbington being the most successful with 10 wins, A. Brookbank being next with 9 wins and Jake Selby having six wins.

THOUGH robbed of the championship by only one point by a team whom they had beaten and tied with, Talkoo have some consolation in that J. C. Chalmers won the skips' hon-

ours with 11 wins and 137 shots up, and that D. Munro secured second place, one shot up to the good over N. J. Bebbington. Munro, who lost only four games, won his last four games in a row, beating W. Hillier once again.

W. K. Way recorded his third successive win when he beat A. Spary by one shot to avenge an earlier defeat, while C. S. Rosset performed the same feat as the result of his win over H. Gittins, who has thus lost his last three games.

K. C.C. came a cropper at Soohunpoo, as the result of which Reclote "A" now require only 25 tie one of their four remaining games to retain the championship. Teddy Fincher, who made such a bold bid for skips' honours earlier in the season, sustained his third successive defeat when he again lost to A. R. Dallah, while F. Goodwin again beat A. K. Minu. In the two games against the I.R.C. skip Goodwin was up 35 shots! M. R. Abbas checked a run of three defeats when he beat J. Hyde.

KOWLOON Dock suffered their fourth successive defeat when they lost to C.S.C.C. for whom J. Hollidge registered his fourth successive win, beating J. Kompton by 7 shots to inflict on the latter his fourth defeat (Continued on Page 21)

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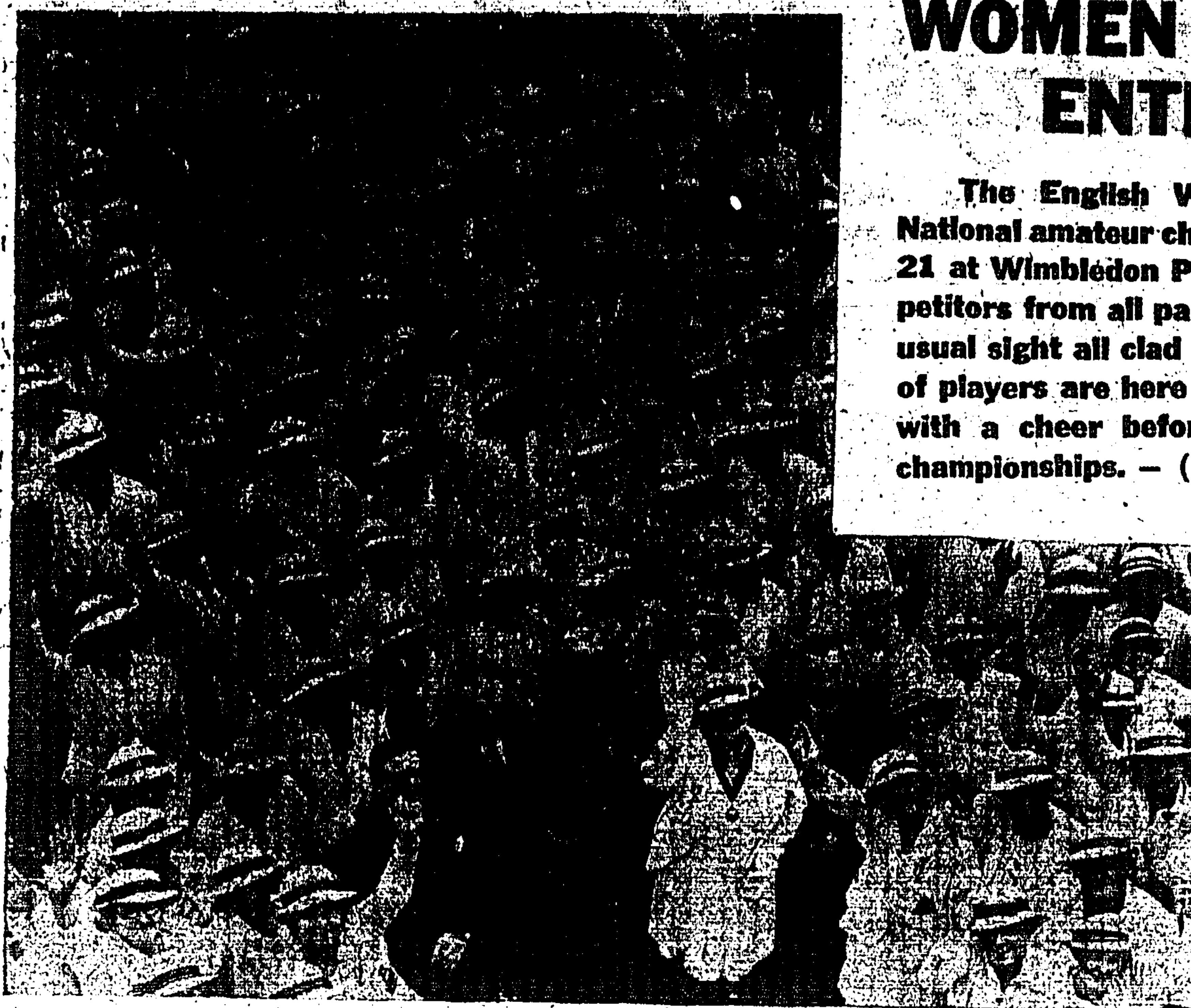
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NAVY CUT SMOKING TOBACCOS

WOMEN LAWN BOWLS ENTHUSIASTS

The English Women's Bowling Association's National amateur championships opened on August 21 at Wimbledon Park, London. Hundreds of competitors from all parts of the country made an unusual sight all clad in white. Some of the hundreds of players are here seen greeting the camera man with a cheer before the commencement of the championships. — (Copyright, Fox, by Air Mail).



SPORTS PARADE

(Continued from Page 20)

in a row. J. C. Brown has not won once in his seven games, while H. G. Cooper was beaten for the third successive time.

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C. G. SILVA and H. A. Alves are still going great guns at the head of the skips' table, the latter recording his fourth successive win when he again beat Adam Holland, who was previously unchecked in five games.

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P. J. HAMILTON secured his fourth win in a row when he beat J. McCutcheon by 17 shots to lay the foundations for the K.B.G.C. revenge against Prison Officers' Club. J. S. Dinnen suffered his fourth successive defeat when he lost by three shots to Tommy Pile.

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RECREIO seem assured of the Third Division title, their consistency being more marked than that of K.C.C. or K.B.G.C. On Saturday they beat Yacht Club in their first clash this season, winning on all three rinks. O. P. Remedios won for the fourth time in a row, and P. A. Yvanovich won for the second time running when he beat Archie Nissim, who made his debut as skip, by 4 shots.

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CRAIGENGOWER introduced two new skips—A. J. Coelho and K. M. Omar—but they won on all three rinks against Electric. A. E. S. Alves, beaten 26-7 in his first encounter with W. H. B. Mushett, won 22-15.

TRIALS AT CARNOUSTIE

Practically all the competitors for the Boys' Championship, including Baron de Gelsey Gutmann, Budapest, and Van den Denes, of Den Haag, were at practice over the medal course yesterday.

Trials were played by both the Scottish and English boys in an effort to secure the strongest possible teams for Monday's International. K. Thom, Thorpe Hall, is in the unique position of contesting the Boys' Championship after having been chosen as reserve for the England senior international team. His first opponent will be a 13-year-old local boy, Wallace McArthur, who hardly reaches to Thom's elbow.

PROMINENT LEAGUE TENNIS PARTNERSHIPS

FOLLOWING ARE leading partnerships in "A" and "B" Divisions of the Lawn Tennis League.

"A" DIVISION

	Sets Played	Sets Against	Sets For
H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	18	2	16
A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios (C.D.R.)	15	3½	11½
J. Gonsalves and A. V. Remedios (C.D.R.)	15	4	11
E. C. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.)	18	7	11
W. A. H. Duff and L. Goldman (H.K.C.C.)	9	0	9
Tsui Wai-pui and W. C. Hung (C.R.C.)	12	3½	8½
H. A. Barros and C. A. Barretto (C.D.R.)	18	10½	7½
O. Rumjahn and I. M. A. Razack (I.R.C.)	9	2	7
A. E. P. Guest and A. Crawford (K.C.C.)	15	9½	5½
W. T. Wang and B. Szeto (S.C.A.A.)	6	½	5½
S. Wong and C. C. Ma (H.K.U.T.C.)	9	3	5½
T. A. Pearce and W. Sander (H.K.C.C.)	12	6½	5½
C. K. Chan and B. Szeto (S.C.A.A.)	6	1	5
A. Chan and J. Hsu (S.C.A.A.)	12	7	5
K. F. Liu and C. K. Chan (S.C.A.A.)	9	4½	4½
K. L. Ho and Paul Kong (C.R.C.)	6	1½	4½
H. J. Armstrong and S. M. Garrard (H.K.C.C.)	9	5½	3½
A. R. Minu and I. Razack (I.R.C.)	6	2½	3½
Stephen Wong and Lim Thian-tet (H.K.U.)	9	5½	3½
S. H. Ling and P. H. Ong (H.K.U.)	15	11½	3½
F. C. Wong and K. F. Liu (S.C.A.A.)	3	0	3
Ma Chiu-chong and Peter U (H.K.U.)	9	6	3
A. H. Madar and A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	9	6	3
W. Hung and T. C. Lu (C.R.C.)	3	0	3
Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing (C.R.C.)	3	0	3
Tsui Wai-pui and Wong Shiu-wing (C.R.C.)	3	0	3
O. Rumjahn and A. R. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	6	3½	2½
K. L. Ho and W. Y. Lee (C.R.C.)	6	3½	2½
W. Sander and T. C. Monaghan (H.K.C.C.)	3	½	2½

"B" DIVISION

	Sets Played	Sets Against	Sets For
A. V. White and F. Grose (K.C.C. "A")	24	4	20
C. S. Dew and W. F. Lee (S.C.A.A.)	21	2½	18½
S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain (K.I.T.C.)	21	6½	14½
E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson (H.K.C.C.)	21	8	13
B. O'M. Deane and W. H. Jowitt (H.K.C.C.)	21	0	12
W. M. Gittins and B. Soltan (K.C.C. "A")	24	13½	10½
F. N. Wong and H. K. Ho (S.C.A.A.)	12	2	10
D. C. Luk and C. C. Luk (C.R.C.)	12	3	9
I. Agafuroff and B. Agafuroff (C.S.C.C.)	18	9	9
F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang (C.R.C.)	12	3½	8½
G. Choa and J. Leonard (C.C.C.)	9	½	8½
A. M. Silva and L. F. V. Ribeiro (C.D.R.)	12	4½	7½
E. J. Gould and T. C. Monaghan (H.K.C.C.)	9	1½	7½
W. A. Reed and M. A. Oliveira (C.D.R.)	9	2	7
D. J. N. Anderson and N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C. "A")	12	5½	6½
F. Khan and M. O. Hoosen (K.I.T.C.)	6	0	6
N. A. E. Mackay and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C. "A")	12	0	6
H. K. Ho and H. T. Bee (S.C.A.A.)	6	½	5½
J. Bendall and W. J. Skinner (C.S.C.C.)	16	9½	5½
A. E. Xavier and H. F. Gonsalves (C.D.R.)	6	1	5
Choy Ping-tan and Ng Kam-chuen (C.R.C.)	9	4½	4½
Capt. A. B. Whatman and T. C. Monaghan (H.K.C.C.)	12	8	4
W. H. Ho and J. Hsu (S.C.A.A.)	6	2½	3½
A. M. Silva and F. E. V. Ribeiro (C.D.R.)	3	0	3
S. O. Khoo and Y. F. Liu (S.C.A.A.)	3	0	3
A. M. Rumjahn and K. Ram (I.R.C.)	3	0	3
A. R. Kitchell and D. Razack (I.R.C.)	3	0	3
Geo. Lai and J. W. Leonard (C.C.C.)	3	½	2½
G. A. Noronha and M. A. Oliveira (C.D.R.)	3	½	2½
A. Zimmermann and F. Zimmermann (C.C.C.)	6	3½	2½
S. Pack and C. Bicknell (C.S.C.C.)	6	6½	2½
W. K. Ma and T. H. Lee (S.C.A.A.)	3	½	2½
H. K. Ip and W. H. Ho (S.C.A.A.)	3	½	2½

LAWN BOWLS

ALVES AND RIBEIRO WIN OPEN PAIRS

In the final of the Lawn Bowls Open Pairs championship played at Kowloon Football Club yesterday afternoon, H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, of the Club de Recreio, defeated T. E. Robson and H. Nish, by 28 shots to 11 after leading 10-4 at the 6th head.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, was present among 200 spectators and refreshments were served during the afternoon.

Mr. R. P. Phillips was the umpire. Nish was runner-up to L. A. Guierrez in the Open Singles in 1932.

GOSCOMBE-O'SULLIVAN TOURNEY

Of the matches in the Goscombe-O'Sullivan Lawn Bowls competition, which were arranged for yesterday, only one match was played at the Police Recreation Club, when P.W.D. "B" beat Clerical "B" by 20 shots to 19.

G. S. Graver of the P.W.D. was the outstanding player of the day. On the 21st head, the score was 19-19.

P.W.D. "B": R. P. Shaw, G. S. Graver, C. B. Robertson and A. Brooksbank.

Clerical "B": J. I. Barnes, F. D. Angus, D. M. Khan and J. H. Gelling.

DAVIS CUP

AUSTRALIA REDUCE DEFICIT

Haverford, To-day. — Australia, having lost the first two singles in their Davis Cup tie with United States in the Challenge Round, redeemed the situation somewhat when John Bromwich and Adrian Quist yesterday beat two comparative unknowns in Kramer and Hunt in the doubles.

The scores were: 5-7, 6-2, 7-5 and 6-2. — Reuter.

EARLIER RESULTS

R. L. Riggs (U.S.) beat J. Bromwich (Australia) 6-4, 6-0, 7-5.
F. Parker (U.S.) 6-3, 2-6, 6-4, 1-6 and 7-5.

AREA SWIMMING EVENTS CANCELLED

All Area Swimming Events for 1939 are postponed indefinitely. Notice of this effect was received yesterday from Lieut. C. M. M. Mah, Hon. Secretary, Area Swimming.

"Up With The Curtain" From London

To-day's Wireless

Brahms' Third Symphony

12.15 p.m.—Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Sam Browne (Vocal) with
Gerry Moore (Piano) and his
Rhythm.

Quickstep—Jamin' (Film: Turn
Off the Moon—Coslow).
Gerry Moore (Piano).
Alone—Film: A Night at the Opera
(Brown).

Let's Face The Music and Dance
—Film: Follow the Fleet
(Berlin).

Sam Browne (Vocal) with the
Rhythm Sisters.

Fox Trot—Ti-Fi-Tin (Grever).
Always and Always—Fox Trot
(Film: Mannequin—Ward).

Gerry Moore and his Rhythm.
Sam Browne Requests. Including
Stormy Weather, Sylvia, Auf
Wiedersehen, Just One More
Chance, Let's Put Out The
Lights and Go To Sleep, When
Day Is Done.

Sam Browne (Vocal).
Quickstep—No More You (Grund-
land).

Slow Fox Trot—A Message from
the Man In the Moon (Jur-
mann).

Gerry Moore (Piano).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Wea-
ther Report.

1.03 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording — "The
Kentucky Minstrels".
Devised and produced by Harry
S. Pepper.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press,
Weather Forecast, and Announce-
ments.

1.45 p.m.—Latest Dance Music and
Variety.
Black Eyed Susan Brown (Good-
hart).

Cuckoo In The Clock (Donaldson).
Fred Feibel Quartet.

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Selection — A Day In London
(Gay).

Al Bollington at the Organ.
A Mist Is Over the Moon (Oak-
land).

This Night (Warren).
Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.

Tin Pan Alley Medley. Introduc-
ing: Deep Purple, We've
come a long way together,
The Masquerade is Over,
Could Be, Boogy Boogy Bo,
Taint What You Do.

Ivor Moreton and Dave Kaye
at Two Pianos.

Polka—Gee-Up (Rixner).
Waltz in Folk Style—Bavarian
Wedding (Rixner).

Barnabas von Geczy and his
Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—"For the Children".

Nursery Rhymes—Good Morning,
Merry Sunshine; Alphabet
Song; Mulberry Bush; Baa-
Baa Black Sheep; Hickory
Dickory Dock; Ding Dong,
Bell; Ten Little Indians; The
Farmer In the Dell; Georgie
Porgie; Hey Diddle Diddle;
Pop Goes the Weasel; A-B-C-
Fall Down D.

Harry Sosnik and his Orchestra.
Singing Games—
When I Was A Lady (Traditional).
London Bridge's Falling Down
(Traditional).

Chalmers Wood's Orchestra.
Story told by Aunt Susan.
Songs by Gracie Fields and Others.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quo-
tations.

6.32 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the Piano.
Medley—Introducing—The Co-
ronation Waltz, I'm Still In
Love With You, Delyse, Across
the Great Divide, The Night
is Young and You're So Beau-
tiful, Boo-Hoo.

Medley—Introducing — I'll See
You Again, The Desert Song,
My Hero.

6.45 p.m.—London—"Up With The
Curtain".
A Variety Entertainment.

7.45 p.m.—Choruses.
Riding Down From Bangor.
Solomon Levi.

Down In Demerara (Traditional).
Raymond Newell and the B.B.C.
Male Chorus.

Auld Scots Songs.
The Maestros (Vocal Quintette),
with Orchestra.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Gracie Fields, John Henry,
and Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.
Some Hits of the Day—Introduc-
ing: You're Here, You're
There, Let Us Be Sweethearts
Over Again, Horsey, Horsey.

Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.
John Henry's Night Out.

John Henry assisted by Gladys
Horridge.

Meet Me Down In Sunset Valley
(Gilbert).

My Heaven In The Pines (Con-
rad).

Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.
The Photograph of Mother's Wed-
ding Group (Damerell).

I'm Playing With Fire (Berlin).
Gracie Fields.

Selection—"On With The Show".
Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.

8.30 p.m.—Saxophone Solos.
I Love The Moon (Ruhens).
Howard Jacobs.

I Have Lost My Heart In Buda-

pest (Belner).
My Kingdom For a Kiss (Dubin).
Raymond Baird.

8.40 p.m.—Dance Music by Victor
Silvester and his Orchestra.

Quickstep—Smarty (Lane).
Slow Fox Trot—Little Heaven of
the Seven Seas (Jerome).

Play Gypsy—Tango (Kaiman).
Slow Fox Trot — Hypnotized
(Lewis).

Waltz—Three Minutes of Heaven
(Evans).

Quickstep—Marie (Berlin).
Slow Fox Trot—Sleepy Time Gal
(Whiting).

Tango—El Payaso del Corazon
Partido (Pelosi).

Tango—Le Tue Carozze (Aia).
Waltz—St. Bernard.
The Valets.

9.15 p.m.—London—The News.
9.30 p.m.—London — "Empire Ex-
change".

9.45 p.m.—London—Sports News and
Market Notes.

9.50 p.m.—Brahms Symphony No. 3 in
F Major, Op. 90. Played by William
Mangelsberg and his Concert Orches-
tra.

10.28 p.m.—Two Songs by Alexander
Klavis (Bass).
Standchen (Brahms).

Vergebliches Standchen (Brahms).
10.33 p.m.—Eileen Joyce (Piano) and
Szigeti (Violin).

Impromptu in E Flat Major, Op.
90, No. 2. (Schubert).

Andante in A (Schubert).
Eileen Joyce.

Rondo (Schubert, Op. 53).
Scherzo Valse (Chabrier).

Szigeti acc: by Nikita de Maga-
loff at the Piano.

Butterfly Op. 43, No. 1 (Grieg).
Melodie, Op. 47, No. 3 (Grieg).

Solitary Traveller (Grieg).
Brooklet Op. 62, No. 4 (Grieg).

Eileen Joyce.
Menuet (Debussy).

Szigeti acc: at the piano by Kurt
Ruhseitz.

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.



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FAST THINKING

North, Dealer

♠ A 10 9 8
♥ 8 5
♦ A Q 10 7 4
♣ 8 2
♠ K Q J 7 2
♥ Q
♦ K 9 6 5
♣ A 4 3
N
W
E
S
♠ 4
♥ K 3
♦ J 8 2
♣ K Q J 10 7 6 5

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♠	4♥	5♣	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

While it looks as though the five-
club contract would be set, due to the
fact that West could ruff the second
round of hearts, some
lightning-fast thinking
on the part of South
saved the day.

HIGH CARD VALUES
OF THE
FOUR-ACES SYSTEM

The opening lead of
the King of spades by
West gave Declarer a
chance for his brilliant
play. After winning
with dummy's Ace, he
played a trump and
West winning this trick with the club
Ace, shifted to his singleton Queen of
hearts. When East won with the
heart Ace, South without an instant's
hesitation dropped the King! This of
course marked West with the remain-
ing heart (as East thought), and he
naturally returned a spade. Now,
since the diamond finesse worked, the
contract was made.

But let's revert to Declarer's re-
markable play. He knew that East's
shut-out bid of four hearts showed at
least seven of the suit and quite
possibly eight. If East held eight

hearts, West would be able to ruff the
second round; if not, the play of the
heart King would be wasted. But in
either case, East was almost sure to
return a spade and try to cash the set-
ting trick. And since the contract
could not be made in any event with-
out the diamond finesse, South felt
that it was well worthwhile to risk
being set an extra trick in order to
provide this one additional chance.

Saturday you were Oswald Jacoby's
partner and held:

♠ Q 10 x x
♥ J x x
♦ Q x x
♣ K Q J

The bidding:
Schenken You Maier Jacoby
1♠ Pass 1NT Pass
3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass
Pass Pass

What was your correct lead?

ANSWER: Lead a small heart.
While the club lead is tempting, it is
evident that Declarer holds a spade-
heart two-suiter. Thus, if you can
shorten dummy's trumps, you will
probably win one or more spade tricks.
Score 100% for the small trump,
70% for the club King, 0 for any other
lead.

QUESTION NO. 196

Both sides are vulnerable. You are
Merwin Maier's partner and hold:

♠ K Q 10 x x
♥ A x x
♦ A x x
♣ x x

The bidding:

Burnstone	Maier	Schenken	You
Pass	Pass	1NT	(?)

What do you bid? (Answer
tomorrow.)

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ger Rogers and David Niven, Charles
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PROBLEM OF CONSTRUCTION

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km. per hour, they could not take part in serious battles. But they could only develop their maximum speed when pursuing an enemy machine in a straight line. The increased speed of these machines revealed defects which could only be removed by a new and combined system of offensive and defensive.

In a fight properly so-called, their maximum speed was very rarely developed, for the reason that this higher speed hampered the operations of their fixed automatic machine guns to a considerable degree.

In addition to these disadvantages, there was the increased risk of collision for the pilots frequently lost command of their machine. In the world war, the famous German pilot Boelcke lost his life through a collision with a machine of his own detachment at a speed of 180 km. per hour. This danger has been increased by the fact that the speed of these planes has been trebled. The casualty list has in fact increased in proportions on the Spanish front.

In many cases, the pilots of the so-called super pursuers are brought unconscious to hospital after a flight; a maximum speed of 480 km. per hour is generally more than enough for the physical resistance of a human being. And flights are not mere touring excursions.

But there was also the question of the stability of the machines in a fight. The extraordinary speeds were achieved at the cost of an extremely reduced weight. In many cases, an explosive bomb sufficed to destroy and to crash the machine.

But the higher speed of the new planes has not contributed to an increase in the number of the decisive battles. Of the 694 air fights that took place in April and May 1917 between German and French aircraft, 621 were a stalemate; only 73 battles

TO-MORROW Decent Espionage

were decisive in any respect. The proportion in Spain has hardly changed; in six sharp air fights on the Ebro front between the 10th and the 20th October of last year, no more than a dozen machines were shot down. If the percentage of the so-called decisive battles had been increased, at least one of these six fights should have been decisive!

On the other hand, the losses of material and pilots in emergency landings, frequently solely due to a mechanical defect, have increased considerably. With the increased maximum speed of the machines, the landing speed was also higher. With a minimum speed of 90 km. per hour (Messerschmidt) or of 118 km. per hour (the new Italian super pursuer Fiat G 50) an emergency landing often amounts to the complete destruction of the machine.

The more the speed of the pursuers is augmented, the greater the necessity to provide them with a stronger engine. Greater consumption of gasoline, increased dead weight, diminished flight time. This is a new technical problem which opposes the further increase of the speed of the pursuers.

Lack of flexibility, difficulty of handling the machine guns, danger of collision, exhaustion of the pilot, other dangers such as that of emergency landings, and of a shortening of the flight without affecting the issue of the battle. For pursuers, like bombers, a limit of speed has been attained which

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will hardly be exceeded for some years.

As a matter of fact, the speed of the improved types of super-pursuers, transformed in the light of experience and brought into Spain during the last few weeks of the Catalonian campaign, has not been increased. The main improvements concerned the armament and the protection of the machines. "Speed is doubtless an important factor—writes the German air-hero of the Great War, Von Richthofen, in his memoirs—but speed is not all. A well armed plane is in a position to beat a faster and less officially armed aircraft."

Von Richthofen was right. This was proved by the Spanish air war. (World Copyright 1939 by "China Mail" and Co-operation. Reproduction even partially strictly forbidden.)

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HOW HONG KONG REACTED TO THE WAR DECLARATION

ALTHOUGH HONG KONG last night received the news of Great Britain's declaration of war on Germany without much manifestation of feeling, other than a sense of profound relief, there was some celebration of the momentous event in the hotels.

Several parties gathered in the "Gripps" until late at night, singing patriotic songs. Total strangers greeted one another and made up impromptu gatherings in the various bars.

U.S. TO INVOKE NEUTRALITY ACT

Washington, To-day.

It is announced that a White House proclamation is being drawn up to invoke the Neutrality Act.—
Reuter.

Britons, French and Americans joined each other in singing the respective National Anthems and drinking to the "damnation of Hitler" and the speedy and victorious conclusion of the war.

In King's Park occurred the only open sign of anti-Nazi feeling, the swastika flag on the German clubhouse being torn down and publicly burned.

The rounding-up and internment of local Germans was carried out methodically and with a complete lack of friction by the Hong Kong Police, the measures being initiated directly Britain's declaration of war was made known.

German property, including the German Club (where an inventory was taken of all drinks on the premises) has been sealed by the Police.

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(Telegraphic Communication Ordinance, 12.51 p.m.)

Shanghai, To-day.

Six German bombers were shot down to-day by Polish artillery in the Poznan region, says the Havas Agency this morning.

The Germans are reported to be plundering homes and shooting down civilians. They are also using asphyxiating gas. —
Our Own Correspondent.

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(Telegraphic Communication Ordinance, 12.51 p.m.)

Shanghai, To-day.

Heavy German concentrations of troops, artillery and aeroplanes are reported to be forming in Silesia, according to telegraphic information reaching here to-day. This is believed to be the prelude to the greatest German offensive since the outbreak of the aggression on Poland.

The Germans continue to make aeroplane attacks on open towns, despite Hitler's promise to bomb nothing but military objectives.

German plane losses to date are reported to be 64.

A large number of German planes attacked strong Polish mechanized units, and two detachments, it is admitted, have been destroyed.—Our Own Correspondent.

(From Our Own Correspondent)
Telegraph. Communications Ordinance, Rec'd 1.49 p.m.

Shanghai, To-day.

Strong German concentrations in Silesia yesterday forced the Polish troops to withdraw slightly, says a Havas message.

The Poles in Danzig and Westerplatte are holding out, and fighting is raging in the Danzig and Gdynia districts.

The Poles have re-occupied Orlowo and Kack.

Thirty-one civilians were killed and 75 injured when German planes raided Lodz.

The British Fleet is now concentrated at war stations.—Our Own Correspondent.

(Telegraphic Communication Ordinance, 12.51 p.m.)

Shanghai, To-day.

The Franco-Italian border was re-opened to-day, after having been closed for several days.—
Our Own Correspondent.

Telegraphic Communication Ordinance, 12.51 p.m.)

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Shanghai, To-day.

The German Embassy and Consulate staffs in Paris have been escorted to the Belgian frontier by a military guard.—Our Own Correspondent.

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